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Fair Monday and Tuesday; somewhat warmer in the interior.

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RUSSIA, IN EVENT OF VICTORY, TO HAVE AN OUTLET ON OPEN SEA

Was Given Right to Constantinople and Straits by Agreement of Allies, in 1915.

IS ANNOUNCED BY PREMIER

Russian Reinforcements Aiding Rumanians South of Bucharest—Invaders Halted.

TWO TOWNS ARE RE-TAKEN

Teutons in Argechu Valley Continue Drive for the Capital.

London, Dec. 3.—An event surpassing in far-reaching importance the actual military operations of the war comes today in the public announcement by the new Russian premier, Alexander Trepoff, that by an agreement concluded in 1915 and subsequently adhered to by Italy, the Allies definitely established Russia's right to Constantinople and the Straits. The existence of this agreement has been for a long time alleged, but never before was it thus publicly and formally admitted.

Aiding Rumanians Heroically.
Simultaneously, while the fate of Bucharest is still hanging in the balance, comes the news that Russia, which has been accused in some quarters of failing to render assistance to the sorely pressed ally, is making heroic efforts to turn the tide of events in Rumania, in addition to exerting vigorous pressure again on Falkenhayn in Moldavia, where the Rumanians have gained a footing at Kiribaba, and the battle is continuing with the utmost energy.

The new Russian move is visible on the Danube, south of Bucharest, where newly arrived Russian troops are making an important attack on Field Marshal von Mackensen's rear, already, according to the Russian official report, with some success, 26 guns and a number of prisoners have been taken and the Germans and Bulgarians have been driven from Tzomana and Gostinari. The Russians are also successfully applying pressure in Dobruja.

May Change Campaigns.

These Russian attacks on the two extreme flanks of the Central forces, though they may be too late to save Bucharest, may, if successfully prosecuted, change the complexion of the Rumanian campaign, as there is no indication as yet that the enveloping movement of the Central Powers has succeeded in cutting off any considerable portion of the Rumanian armies.

In the meantime, according to the German report, the German-Bulgarians are steadily pressing towards the capital. In the Argechu valley they have crossed the river at one point and have outflanked and defeated a Rumanian force which had attempted to advance southwest of Bucharest over the Argechu and Nislov rivers.

Bucharest Not a Fortress.

In connection with the fate of Bucharest a semi-official Rumanian statement has been received by wireless to the effect that by commencement of the war Bucharest was deprived of the character of a fortress and that when danger of occupation presented itself steps were taken for the evacuation of the city by the military elements, but not by the civilian population, who had been enjoined to remain in the city. This points to the military abandonment of the city and would seem to indicate that the Rumanians are fighting engagements to delay their enemy and secure the safe retirement of their armies.

PREMIER TREPPOFF READS

PROCLAMATION IN THE DUMA
Petrograd, Saturday, Dec. 3. (via London, Dec. 3).—The semi-official news agency says that in the duma today Premier Trepoff read a proclamation announcing officially that an agreement concluded by Russia, France and Great Britain in 1915 and later approved by Italy establishes in definite manner the right of Russia to the Straits and Constantinople. Premier Trepoff's announcement is quoted by the news agency as follows:

"For more than a thousand years Russia has been reaching southward toward a free outlet on the open sea. The age-long dream, cherished in the hearts of the Russian people, now is ready for realization."

"From the beginning of the war, wishing to spare human lives and suffering, we and our allies did our utmost to restrain Turkey from participation in hostilities. Turkey received formal assurances guaranteeing her, in exchange for neutrality, the integrity of her territory and independence, and also conferring on her convention privileges and advantages. These efforts were in vain. Turkey surreptitiously attacked us and thus sealed her own doom."

"We then concluded an agreement with our allies, which establishes in the most definite manner the right of Russia to the Straits and Constantinople. Rumanians should know for what they are shedding blood and, in accord with (Continue on Page Eight).

TEUTONS DRAWING STILL CLOSER TO RUMANIAN CAPITAL

Portion of the Circular Line West of Bucharest Thrown Across Argechu River.

PETROGRAD CLAIMS HALT

Says Invaders Were Repulsed Southwest of Capital—French Transport Is Sunk.

Rumania still holds the center of interest in the world war. The encircling movement of the Teutonic Allies continues to draw closer toward her capital, Bucharest, although the Rumanians apparently are stiffening their defense.

The Teutons have crossed the Argechu river, west of Bucharest, but both Petrograd and Bucharest assert that southwest of the capital the Russians and Rumanians have forced the retirement of the Teutons, and taken prisoners and booty—the latter including 24 guns.

The German official communication says that in this region a Rumanian force was outfanked and thrown back with heavy casualties. Hard fighting still continues from the border of Bukovina, along northern Rumania, with both sides claiming the advantage.

*On none of the fronts has there been any great infantry activity, the big guns still doing the greater portion of the work. An attack by the Entente forces northwest of Monastir on Saturday was put down with sanguinary losses, according to Berlin. The Italians are claiming an advance of 300 metres over a front of two-thirds of a mile on the Carso sector of the Austro-Italian front, a maneuver which straightened out the Italian line.

The French transport Karnak has been sunk near Malta by a German submarine, according to an announcement by the German admiralty. The transport is said to have been loaded with troops bound for Saloniki.

Owing to the acuteness of the political crisis in Great Britain Premier Asquith announced that he will resign if he is asked to consent to a re-construction of the government.

It is semi-officially announced from Petrograd that the Russian premier has read a proclamation in the duma stating that Russia, through agreement with Great Britain, France and Italy, will obtain Constantinople and the Dardanelles in the event of an Entente allied victory.

Official advices from Athens are that the fighting there between Greeks and Entente troops has ceased and that the Entente troops have been sent back to Piraeus.

Berlin, Dec. 3. (via Sayville).—The sinking by a German submarine of a 6,000 ton French transport filled with (Continued on Page Two.)

COMMISSIONER TRAVIS SEEKING FEDERAL JOB?

Friends Want Him to Have Seat on Commerce Commission.

Admits to Star Correspondent That He Would Not Mind Having a Place—Officials Are Aware of His Ability.

(Special Star Telegram.)
Washington, D. C., Dec. 3.—Corporation Commissioner E. L. Travis, of Raleigh, is not a candidate for a place on the newly created tariff commission.

Mr. Travis' friends, however, are urging him for another and better position, and the popular North Carolinian stands a very good chance of landing it, too. Mr. Travis would like to become a member of the Interstate Commerce commission when the commission is reorganized and enlarged. It is pretty well understood here that when Congress legislates on the railroad proposition this winter one of the certain things it will do will be to enlarge the membership of the Interstate Commerce commission.

Mr. Travis is considered one of the best lawyers in North Carolina, and, in addition to this, is an expert on matters such as he would have to handle as a member of the Interstate Commerce commission. Mr. Travis will have the support of both Senators Simmons and Overman, and perhaps the entire State delegation in Congress.

When seen at the Raleigh Hotel tonight, Mr. Travis admitted that he would not mind having a position as (Continue on Page Eight).

COUNTER MOVEMENT OF RUSSIANS IN THE CARPATHIANS



This map shows how the Russians are trying to prevent the capture of Bucharest and the conquest of the greater part of Rumania by the encircling advance of the united armies of Falkenhayn and Mackensen. (1)—The white arrows indicate the big Russian drive in the Carpathians from the Jablonica pass in Hungary to the Buzeu valley in Rumania, now in its third day. This drive aims to break through the Teuton lines in the mountains and turn the flank of the Teuton armies in southern Rumania. North of the Jablonica pass near Koval and Leuberg the Teutons are attacking the Russians to weaken the Carpathian drive. (2)—The black arrows indicate the encircling drive toward Bucharest of Falkenhayn's and Mackensen's united armies on north and south. Both wings pushed further forward yesterday, though faced by stiffer Rumanian resistance. (3)—The white arrow indicates the attack in the Dobruja of General Schorff's Russo-Rumanian army aided by British armored tanks. This attack aims to regain the Constantza-Cernavoda railroad and the Cernavoda bridge and push down into Bulgaria.

CARRANZA FORCES AGAIN OCCUPY CHIHUAHUA CITY

General Osuma Reports That He Entered the City Saturday Night From the North.

TELEGRAPH LINE REPAIRED

Juarez, Mexico, Dec. 3.—General Carlos Osuma entered Chihuahua City from the north at 7 o'clock last night, according to a telegram received by General Gonzales, brigade commander. The message comes from General Osuma and was dated Chihuahua, City. It was officially announced at military headquarters today that the Carranza forces have re-occupied the city. The telegraph communications with Chihuahua City over the federal line has been re-established.

General Gonzales was preparing to leave today for Chihuahua City with a large command of Carranza troops. He said telegraphic communication has been restored south to Jimenez.

Latest reports here are that many Villa followers have been captured and killed. No definite news has been received about Americans, but it is believed that all foreigners except Chinese are safe.

It was announced that Villa has left for western Chihuahua following trains of loot.

General Francisco Murgula, the Carranza commander who has been moving slowly northward from Torreon, was also reported to have entered the city today after having defeated the Villa column thirty miles south of Chihuahua City.

After entering the city, General Osuma, the cavalry commander who had been charging the rebel lines at Nombro Diaz and the northern suburbs of Chihuahua City re-established telegraphic communication with the border. He made a brief report to General Gonzales, his superior officer, and then proceeded into the heart of the city on an exploring expedition.

The battle between the forces of General Murgula and the bandits took place Friday and was believed to have completely routed the Villa soldiers. Villa and his staff are said to have gone one special train toward the west.

Six trains entered Chihuahua City today from the south and were believed to have carried the remainder of Murgula's column, his field equipment and heavy artillery.

Telegraphic communication has been re-established with Torreon and Mexico City from the Chihuahua state capital. The railroad has been repaired, and trains are operating as far south as Jimenez.

Only meagre details of the fighting have been received. It was believed by Carranza officers here that Villa left Chihuahua City some time yesterday over the Mexico Northwest railroad following the two trains of loot which he sent west after capturing the town and looting many of the stores, according to reports by refugees.

Many of his men were said to have been left behind. It was reported they (Continued on Page Two.)

BRITISH POLITICAL CRISIS NOW ACUTE

In Well Informed Circles It Is Stated That David Lloyd-George Has Resigned.

HAS NOT BEEN ACCEPTED

Premier Asquith Kept Busy Yesterday With Consultation and Conferences With the Various Party Leaders.

London, Dec. 3.—The political crisis has become acute. It is stated in well informed quarters that David Lloyd George, the war secretary has tendered his resignation, which has not yet been accepted.

Premier Asquith left town yesterday, but returned this morning and throughout the day there have been consultations and meetings of party leaders at the premier's residence.

Mr. Lloyd-George had a long consultation with the premier this afternoon. Other visitors were A. Bonar-Law, secretary of the colonies, and the Marquis of Crewe, lord president of the council.

Perhaps the most significant thing was when Sir Edward Carson and Mr. Law appeared together and addressed a morning meeting of the unionist committee, while the Earl of Derby, under-secretary for war, had a long interview with Mr. Lloyd George. It is understood no official announcement will be made tonight but that Premier Asquith will see the king again tomorrow morning, and thereafter make a statement in the house of commons in explanation of the situation.

Thus far it appears no arrangement has been made for Secretary Lloyd George to see the king, which would indicate that at the present moment there is some prospect that the crisis will be surmounted without the complete collapse of the coalition cabinet and without the resignation of Mr. Lloyd-George.

WILL BOYCOTT ANY ARTICLE OF FOOD WHERE NECESSARY

Housewives Organization to Keep in Close Touch With Situation

New York, Dec. 3.—An organization of housewives, through which every consumer in this city may be reached "whenever it appears necessary to establish a boycott on articles of food" will be formed by January 1, it was announced today by Joseph Hartigan, commissioner of weights and measures.

The plan, Mr. Hartigan said, is to have at least one woman assigned to each of the 42,000 square blocks here, whose duty it will be to "keep in touch with the residents of that block and keep them posted as to the prices of the various articles of food."

SECOND SESSION OF 64TH CONGRESS WILL OPEN AT NOON TODAY

WILSON OUTLINES PROGRAM WHICH HE WANTS PASSED

Speaker Clark and Leader Kitchin in Conference With the President Last Night.

TALKED FOR OVER AN HOUR

Mr. Clark Asked President to Help Him Put Through His Plan to Eliminate Recess.

(Special Star Telegram)
Washington, Dec. 3.—The President tonight outlined to Speaker Clark and Majority Leader Claude Kitchin the legislative programme which Mr. Wilson desires put through Congress during the short session which begins tomorrow at noon. Railroad legislation will have the right of way over all other matters, according to reports coming from the conference. The big appropriation bills, of course, will have to be put through regardless of anything else, but it is understood that the President will insist that his original railroad recommendation be enacted into law.

The conference was held at the request of the President. Messrs. Kitchin and Clark reached the Executive Mansion shortly after five o'clock and remained with the President more than an hour. The main subject discussed was the legislative programme, and, according to reports, the President agreed with Speaker Clark and Majority Leader Kitchin that there should be no extra session of Congress if it can be avoided.

Incidentally, Mr. Clark asked the President to help him put through his plan to eliminate all of the usual Christmas holidays except Christmas day. The Speaker contends that it will be impossible to get through the necessary work of Congress unless this holiday is cut down to a minimum. There seems little doubt that the Speaker will win his point. Mr. Clark had already asked newspaper men to help him "put it over," and today he asked the President to join hands also.

PROMISED TO DO ALL THEY CAN ON RAILWAY LEGISLATION
Washington, Dec. 3.—Speaker Clark and Representative Kitchin, majority leader of the House, assured President Wilson at a White House conference tonight that they would do all they could to hasten the passage of railroad legislation at the short session of Congress which begins tomorrow.

The President summoned the house leaders to talk over with them the legislative programme and to secure their co-operation in expediting important measures. In the course of the conference the Adamson law, he said, was of the utmost importance and he asked that (Continued on Page Six.)

EARLY ARGUMENT ON 8-HOUR LAW DESIRED

Both Sides to Urge Prompt Decision by Supreme Court.

Just What Date Chief Justice White Will Set For Hearing the Government's Appeal Is Very Uncertain

Washington, Dec. 3.—Steps to secure an early decision upon constitutionality of the Adamson 8-hour law, in the test case of the Missouri, Oklahoma and Gulf railroad, will dominate interest in the Supreme Court's session tomorrow following a two week's recess.

A motion will be presented by Solicitor General Davis with formal concurrence of counsel for the railroads, asking the court to assign an early date for hearing of the government's appeal from the decision of Federal Judge Hook, of Kansas City, Mo., holding the law null and void.

The railroad brotherhood, according to present plans, will not be represented in the formal proceedings tomorrow, but may have counsel participate in the arguments.

What date Chief Justice White may set for the argument is very uncertain, as tomorrow's calendar of 40 cases specially assigned for argument is unusually long. It includes the congressional contempt case against United States Attorney H. Snowden Marshall, of New York, West Virginia cases involving legality of the United Mine Workers' organization, an irrigation suit between Wyoming and Colorado, (Continued on Page Eight).

THE advertised article is best, because both the manufacturer and the dealer are not ashamed of it, and will stand behind it.

Administration Has Ambitious Legislative Program, Which It Desires Passed.

THIS WILL BE IMPOSSIBLE

Because Session Is Brief, a Line Will Have to be Drawn on General Legislation.

SUPPLY BILLS COME FIRST

Railroad Problems Apparently the Dominating Feature.

Washington, Dec. 3.—The Sixty-Fourth Congress will reconvene at noon tomorrow for its second session, which will end with the life of the present Congress on March 4. The administration, although assured of control for four years more in all branches, excepting possibly the House of Representatives, has an ambitious legislative program, all of which cannot be crowded into the next three months.

Where the administration is to draw the line on general legislation has not been determined. Party conferences will outline the program to be attempted in addition to the appropriation bills which must be passed to meet expenditures of government for the fiscal year 1917-1918.

Immigration Bill First.
When Congress adjourned last September, the Democratic Senate caucus agreed that the immigration bill, which its oft-vetoed literary test, would be taken up and passed before consideration of any other legislation. It also had agreed to act on the Owen corrupt practices bill, a measure to limit expenditure in the national political campaigns and to provide new penalties for election frauds. Both measures had been passed at the end of the session, but were abandoned by mutual consent despite the urgent demands of a few members.

Beside those two measures the memorable railroad eight-hour day fight which marked the last days of the last session and ended with legislation suggested by President Wilson unconscionable. It will be urged upon the Congress by the administration above all other subjects. In fact the joint committee created by Congress to investigate the whole subject of railroad problems has been in session two weeks preparing recommendations and it is apparent that administration above all other subjects will be the dominating feature of the session.

Supply Bills First.
In view of the probability that the administration is to face a divided Sixty-fifth Congress, at least a non-dependable plurality in the lower house, it is the hope of Democratic leaders to complete before the March adjournment what remains of a constructive programme of reform legislation. All are convinced, however, of the paramount importance of supply bills and these must take precedence, general legislation to be considered whenever time will permit.

Of the supply measures there is again more than usual importance attached to the naval appropriation bill. Hearings already have begun before the House committee. The bill must provide for the second year's construction in the elaborate three year building programme authorized at the last session as part of the administration's plan to strengthen the national defense. There also remain to be acted upon important conservation measures which the President and many members of both legislative branches have been advocating.

Selling Agencies Bill.
Beside those measures President Wilson wants Congress to enact the Webb bill to make it legal for American corporations to maintain collective selling agencies for foreign countries. Under terms of the Clayton anti-trust law such agencies would be unlawful. The President was disappointed over failure of the Senate to pass the bill in the closing days of the last session and expressed his regrets in a formal statement.

With regard to the national defense there are, beside the regular Army, Navy and coast defense supply bills, several measures bearing on the military efficiency of the country. Among them is the Chamberlain bill for a modified form of universal military training modeled after the Swiss system. Hearings are to be held by the Senate military committee but action before adjournment seems improbable.

Naval Appropriation.
Estimates on the naval bill call for an expenditure next year of approximately \$300,000,000 and authorization for construction of three dreadnaughts and at least one battle cruiser to add to the four dreadnaughts and four battle cruisers ordered constructed as soon (Continued on Page Seven).

'IDEA OF ARBITRATION' GROWING IN GERMANY

Is Opinion of Prof. Deissmann, of the Berlin University.

Replies to Inquiry Concerning Peace League Made by Rev. Charles S. MacFarland, of the Federal Council.

New York, Dec. 3.—That the "idea of arbitration" is constantly gaining ground in Germany is the opinion of Prof. Adolf Deissmann, of the University of Berlin, expressed in a wireless message to the Rev. Charles S. MacFarland, general secretary of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. The message made public here tonight, came through the German embassy.

Mr. MacFarland addressed an inquiry on the subject to Prof. Deissmann several weeks ago in the hope, he said, that a reply might be received in time to be read at the dinner of the League to Enforce Peace, held in this city on November 24.

Prof. Deissmann, described as "one of the leading intellectuals in Germany," answered in part as follows: "I gladly answer your important inquiry. The question raised by Lord Bryce whether after the close of this most destructive war, arrangements could be made by which peace-loving nations should pledge themselves to resist from any attack with arms and submit all matters of dispute to a court of arbitration is one of the great burning questions of the future which concern not only a group of nations, but all mankind. Although history teaches us that the road leading to this goal is not easy, yet I venture to say that in our country the idea of arbitration is gaining ground constantly."

"Of course, if attempts to form international alliances for maintaining lasting conditions of peace are to be practically realized, the mental and spiritual atmosphere within the great powers must change. The gaseous ulcer of hate which poisons international relations must be burnt out and the intellectual heads of nations, above all the Christian leaders, must under full recognition of the bona fides of their opponents be ready to forgive one another's thoughts as well as words and deeds, whereby they have hurt and wounded each other. Then, and only then, would success in fully entering into the problem of re-construction."

"In creating this atmosphere, which is pre-requisite to every step toward a better mutual understanding, neutral Christians have a great mission. Without pharisaism and by the proper course which avoids everything that might pour oil into the flames of war, they should regard combatants as suffering brethren, nurse their wounds and reconsider the attitude of their hearts and minds."

TEUTONS DRAWING STILL CLOSER TO RUMANIAN CAPITAL

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trops was announced today by the admiralty. The announcement follows: "A German submarine on November 27 near Malta sank the French transport steamer Karnak, 6,000 tons, bound for Saloniki. The Karnak was crowded with troops destined for Saloniki."

The Karnak, 447 feet long, was built as a passenger liner in 1909 and last reported on her arrival at LaCiotat on August 5 since which time she apparently has been in service of the French admiralty. Last January she reported on her arrival at Marseilles with a large number of passengers from Alexandria and Malta that she had been pursued for several hours by a submarine.

DANUBE ARMY IN DANGEROUS PROXIMITY TO BUCHAREST

Berlin, Dec. 3, (via Tuckerton, N. J.).—"The Danube army now is in dangerous proximity to Bucharest," says the Overseas News Agency in a statement on the Rumanian campaign. "The Russian lowlands have been crossed and the vanguard are approaching the Argechu river which is only a distance of eight kilometers (about 5 miles) from the city. The northern front of the Rumanians has been pressed back against the mountain ranges of Predal pass which extends far to the south so that the Rumanian retreat is made extremely difficult. The German and Austro-Hungarian troops have now penetrated far into the petroleum district."

MILITARY ADMINISTRATION SET UP BY CENTRAL POWERS

Berlin, Dec. 3.—General Corakas, head of the Venizelist recruiting bureau, has been appointed chief of the military administration of Rumania, says an official statement issued today, which also declares: "A large part of Rumania having fallen into the hands of the Central Powers, an administration for the conquered districts has been established. "Several departments are under the command of General Tuller. The members of these departments partly belong to others of the Central Powers. The cultivation of the country will be carried out according to the principles previously established, which in part correspond to the necessities of Rumania and are in part on account of the necessities of the Central Powers cut off by England, contrary to international law."

HEAD OF THE VENIZELIST RECRUITING BUREAU ARRESTED

Athens, Dec. 3.—General Corakas, head of the Venizelist recruiting bureau, has been arrested charged with inciting guerrilla warfare in Athens and using his room in the hotel Majestic as a point from which to fire upon soldiers and civilians. A number of soldiers deposed that Corakas paid 25 drachmas a head to induce soldiers to desert the army and join the Venizelists at Saloniki. General Corakas will probably be tried on a charge of abetting treason.

BULGARIAN DEFEAT RUMANIANS AFTER A VIOLENT BATTLE

Sofia, Dec. 2.—(via London, Dec. 3).—Bulgarian troops advancing on Bucharest defeated Rumanian forces after a violent battle yesterday, throwing

them back with heavy losses, it is announced officially. "Our advance continues in Wallachia," the statement says. "Our divisions which are advancing on Bucharest engaged in a violent battle, throwing back the enemy with heavy loss. "Along the Danube, between Turtukal and Tehernavoda, an infantry firing occurred. There was artillery firing near Popova and Turtukal. "In Dobrudja the Russians made four attacks on our left wing between Sateleul and the Danube, but were repulsed everywhere. We captured thirty Russians and four machine guns. A Russian attack on our trenches at 2 o'clock in the morning, although executed with extreme determination, was repulsed with much bloodshed."

ALLIES GIVE UP CONTROL OF POSTAL AND TELEGRAPH

Athens, Dec. 2, (via London, Dec. 3).—The Entente powers have agreed to remove their representatives who have been in control of the Greek postal and telegraph services.

RUMANIAN REINFORCEMENTS REACH RUMANIAN CAPITAL

Petrograd, Dec. 3, (via London).—Russian troops have arrived on the front south of Bucharest and engaged in the great battle to save the Rumanian capital, the war office announced. The German and Bulgarian troops south of Bucharest have been "compelled to retire." The Russians and Rumanians have taken prisoners and booty, including 26 guns. Further successes of the Russians on the Transylvanian front also are reported. The announcement follows: "In the wooded Carpathians the enemy twice fiercely attacked the heights occupied by us six versts southwest of Vorokhta, was compelled to retire with heavy losses. He also made two attacks northeast and east of Kirilbaba which were repelled. "In Transylvania, in the valleys of the Tisza and Suty, our attacks were successful. We occupied the villages of Asaul and Suty, capturing more than 800 prisoners. "On the Danube front enemy attacks continue in the Argechu valley. In this region the fighting is assuming the character of a great battle. Under pressure of the enemy Rumanian troops, outflanked by cavalry from the south are retiring in a southeasterly direction. "The Rumanian operations south of Bucharest with the assistance of Russian troops which have arrived, are developing successfully. "The Bulgarians and Germans have been compelled to retire. We captured prisoners and booty which have not yet been enumerated. So far as can be ascertained 26 guns were taken."

ALLIES DEMAND REPARATION FOR ASSAULT BY THE GREEKS

Paris, Dec. 3.—The firing at Athens diminished during the night and now has ceased, says a Havas dispatch from that city. The Entente troops have been sent back from Athens to Piraeus. The Greek government has offered its mountain batteries to Vice Admiral Du Poutet, but the Entente minister have received instructions from their governments to declare to the Greek authorities that it is no longer merely a question of the cessation of war material but a far more serious question and that reparation must be made corresponding with the gravity of the assault on the allied troops.

GERMAN ADVANCE ON THE ARGECHU RIVER CONTINUES

Berlin, Dec. 3, (via Sayville).—The evening communication issued by the war office says: "On the west and east fronts there is nothing of special importance to report. "In Rumania we are successfully pressing our advance on the Argechu river. "On the Macedonian front there has been strong firing near Monastir and Brunshtite."

CRUISED FOUR MONTHS. TRAINING SHIP NEWPORT RETURNS AFTER A LONG TRIP

New York, Dec. 3.—After a cruise of almost four months in which stops were made at Bermuda, the Azores and New England ports, the training ship Newport, supported by New York state to train boys for the merchant marine, arrived here today with 95 of the 96 youths who started on the voyage from Glen Cove, N. Y., August 9. The absent member of the crew was graduated as a navigator during the visit to Bermuda and was transferred to the American steamship Usonia, which put in to Hamilton, Bermuda, in distress.

MEXICAN BANKERS OPTIMISTIC BELIEVE LOAN OF \$12,000,000 WILL BE RAISED FOR THE GOVERNMENT

Mexico City, Dec. 3.—Local bankers are optimistic that the government will obtain a loan of \$12,000,000 from Mexican bankers temporarily to guarantee paper money. They believe that the banks of issue, including the state bank, the Bank of London and Mexico and the Banco Nacional, will make the loan, and that in consideration they will be allowed to resume business.

SOLVES MYSTERY IN TAN ER CASE

(Continued From Page One.) did not appear there at the time appointed. The Federal authorities since then have been searching for him, it was understood. "Wax told of meeting Miss Turner about October 1, 1914, through a flirtation near Columbus Circle. He met her frequently and that, he said, was surprised after an acquaintance of several months, to read in a newspaper of a suit against the lawyer Osborne. "The story told of the mysterious Oliver Osborne," said Wax, and I decided to go to my name sake and help him out of the scrape. The next morning I went to his office but he was not there, but his law partner gave me his home address and I went out to Broadway and 72nd street. I met his wife and assured her that her husband was not the Mr. Osborne mixed up with the girl. I met him the same day and gave him several hints the girl had given me and made an appointment to meet me the next day. I didn't keep this, because I got frightened and also was ashamed to go on the witness stand and tell of my relations with her."

NEW YORK, DEC. 3.—Special services commemorating the 20th anniversary of the Old First Presbyterian church at Fifth Avenue and 11th street were held today. The celebration will be continued until next Sunday. In its 200 years, the church has had ten pastors. The Rev. Dr. Howard Duffield, its present pastor, has served for 25 years.

SPORTS

FOOTBALL SEASON GIVES WAY TO COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Call for Candidates at Wake Forest Has Already Been Issued.

(Special Star Correspondence). Wake Forest, N. C., Dec. 3.—With the closing of the inter-class basketball series, and the passing of the football season, basketball will claim the undivided attention of the followers of athletics at Wake Forest College. The call for candidates has already been issued by Coach Crozier and for sometime the squad has been practicing, although from now on the practice will be more constant, as the coach has but a short time to develop a machine with which to open the season.

Of last year's State championship team, which made such a phenomenal record, winning every game played in the State, and registering 604 points to their opponents' 382, only two "varsity" members have returned. W. Holding and Hall, forwards, Robley and Beam, guards, Yates, sub-center, are all lost to the team this season. Only two players are left from the 1915-16 team, the 1917 quint; R. Holding, guard, and Frank, center. R. Holding has been elected to the captaincy of the team.

BASEBALL FRATERNITY IS RAPIDLY GROWING IN NUMBERS

New York, Dec. 3.—Twelve hundred and fifteen baseball players are enrolled in the baseball players' fraternity and the membership is increasing rapidly, according to the annual report of David L. Fultz, of the organization, made public today.

In the minor leagues, according to the report, the fraternity has made considerable headway in the past year. The sum of \$7,521 was recovered from club owners and the validity of certain contracts was established, with a saving of \$2,778 to the players involved.

TRINITY FRESHMAN QUINT DEFEATS THE JUNIOR TEAM

Trinity College, Dec. 3.—In the last of the inter-class series of basketball games last night, the freshman quint defeated the team representing the junior class by a score of 45 to 29. The class championship this year was won by the senior team, and G. F. Mayes, of Stem, the conclusion of the game last night, received the pennant from Prof. R. N. Wilson, faculty manager of athletics.

GARRANZA FORCES AGAIN OCCUPY CHIHUAHUA CITY

(Continued From Page One). were pardoned by Carranza officers when it was learned they had been pressed into Villa's service and had fought against their will. NO AMERICANS KILLED BY VILLA IN CHIHUAHUA CITY Juarez, Mexico, Dec. 3.—No Americans have been killed in Chihuahua City by Villa, according to a private message received here tonight from that city. The message said that the only foreigners to suffer were the Chinese, for whom the bandits showed no mercy. General Murugua and Trevino were both in Chihuahua City tonight, it was said.

MORE THAN SIXTY MEXICANS REPORTED KILLED IN FIGHT

Laredo, Texas, Dec. 3.—Sixty constitutional soldiers and an unknown number of legalists were killed Thursday in an engagement between the two forces of San Luis Potosi and Tampico, according to arrivals from Tampico tonight.

NON-UNION EMPLOYEES ARE SEEKING RAISE IN WAGES

Ask That Railroad Rates Be Increased Enough to Benefit Them

HOSPITAL TO COST \$800,000.

Christian Science Sanatorium to be Built and Kept Up by \$2,000,000 Fund Boston, Mass., Dec. 3.—The Christian Science sanatorium, which is to occupy a site on Lone Tree Hill, Brookline, will be built, equipped and maintained through the establishment of the fund exceeding \$1,000,000, plans for which were announced tonight by the Christian Science Board of Directors. For the sanatorium, which will be under the immediate supervision of the Christian Science Benevolent Association, at least \$600,000 will be used, according to the estimate of the directors, and the plans for the fund include also an expenditure of \$250,000 for purchasing real estate adjoining the Mother church property in this city.

ALBANY, N. Y., DEC. 3.—The appointment of a committee of five under the chairmanship of George W. Perkins to investigate the causes of the high cost of living and to recommend such legislation as may result in lower prices for food through economical distribution was announced by Governor Whitman today.

SCRANTON, Pa., DEC. 3.—W. W. Scranton, said to have been the first to introduce the Bessemer process of steel making in this country, died suddenly at his home here today. He was 73 years old, and was a descendant of the Scrantons after whom the city was named.

AMSTERDAM, via London, Dec. 3.—According to a Vienna dispatch, Emperor Charles has gone to the Austrian army headquarters.

OVER 500 SOLDIERS ABOARD THE BRITANNIC, SAYS REPORT

Hospital Ship Also Said Have Carried Over 100 Officers.

Berlin, Dec. 3 (via Sayville).—The Overseas News Agency gives out the following for publication: "Rotterdam reports, according to information from London, that the British hospital ship Britannic, recently sunk, had from four to five hundred soldiers on board who neither belonged to the crew nor the Red Cross. In addition there were more than 100 officers, among whom were several aviators, on board."

LONDON, DEC. 3.—A statement was issued by the Admiralty tonight which makes reference to German wireless messages to the embassy at Washington, promulgating "mendacious reports purporting to emanate from Rotterdam, that the hospital ship Britannic had troops on board."

The Admiralty reiterates that a complete statement of all persons aboard the Britannic was published November 24, and adds that the hospital ship carried neither personnel nor material other than is authorized by the Geneva and The Hague conventions.

SURPRISED THAT PRESIDENT DID NOT HAVE A "WALK-OVER"

Richard Croker, Former Tammany Leader, Arrives from Liverpool.

New York, Dec. 3.—Richard Croker, former leader of Tammany Hall, accompanied by Mrs. Croker, arrived here today on board the American line St. Louis from Liverpool. Mr. Croker said he probably would remain in America two or three years, and plans to spend the winter at Palm Beach. Mr. Croker expressed surprise that President Wilson had not had a "walk-over" in the recent election. "He has evidently kept us out of war," declared Mr. Croker, "and although they laughed at his notes, they went as far as they could and did not make us go to war."

Conditions in Ireland, Mr. Croker said, "were very bad." The cost of living has about doubled, he added. "The Irish question is not settled," asserted Mr. Croker. "They should have had home rule long ago."

London, Dec. 3.—A Reuter dispatch from Jassy, in northern Rumania, near the Russian frontier, says that the Rumanian government now has been established there. Most of the ministers, together with the presidents of the senate and chamber, have arrived at the new capital, where parliament will be convened shortly.

GLASS OF SALTS CLEANS KIDNEYS

If Your Back is Aching or Bladder—Bothers, Drink Lots of Water and Eat Less Meat.

When your kidneys hurt and your back feels sore, don't get scared and proceed to load your stomach with a lot of drugs that excite the kidneys and irritate the entire urinary tract. Keep your kidneys clean like you keep your bowels clean, by flushing them with a mild, harmless salts which removes the body's urinous waste and stimulates them to their normal activity. The function of the kidneys is to filter the blood. In 24 hours they strain from it 500 grains of acid waste, so we can readily understand the vital importance of keeping the kidneys active. Drink lots of water—you can't drink too much; also get from any pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salts; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast each morning for a few days and your kidneys will act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithium and has been used for generations to clean and stimulate clogged kidneys; also to neutralize the acids in urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder weakness. Jad Salts is inexpensive; cannot injure; makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which everyone should take now and then to keep their kidneys clean and active. Try this; also keep up the water drinking, and no doubt you will wonder what became of your kidney trouble and backache.

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PROTEST TO CHINA AGAINST \$5,000,000 AMERICAN LOAN

British, French and Japanese Ministers Supporting Bankers

Washington, Dec. 3.—The British, French and Japanese ministers at Peking, it became known here today, are supporting the bankers of their countries in protests to China against the \$5,000,000 loan arranged by that government with a Chicago bank. Members of the former quintuple group which secured a practical monopoly of Chinese loans for administrative purposes, through the loan agreement of April, 1914, complained recently in Peking against the American loan on the ground that it violated their agreement.

Information that the protesting bankers were being supported by their governments caused surprise at both the State Department and the Chinese legation, neither of which had official confirmation. It was explained, however, that practically all loans or financial arrangements with China are liable to some sort of complaint by other interested parties and that in the present instance every care was taken not to violate previous agreements.

VOYAGE OF 6,000 MILES

American Steamer Tows Another From West Coast of Africa.

New York, Dec. 3.—An unusual voyage of 6,000 miles in which the American steamship Zealandia towed the steamship Liberia across the south Atlantic from Cape Coast Castle, on the west coast of Africa, was ended here today with the arrival of both vessels. The Zealandia was sent from New York to the gold coast to tow the Liberia, which had sailed for that purpose, was never heard from after leaving a Southern port. The Liberia was formerly the Munson liner Curitby which took Captain Alfred Charles Sam's colony of negroes abroad to establish themselves on the gold coast. The expedition was a failure.

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THEATRICAL

While it would be hard to eclipse last week's record at the Victoria, in point of attendance, it will doubtless go beyond that mark this week judging from the big outlay of super-attractions which will constitute the week's amusements there.

In the first place, Charles Soladar's Brinkley Girls Company, an all-star musical comedy company, presenting new musical comedies, run plays with plenty of music and dancing, sparkling wit and bright comedy, pretty girls, nifty dancers, sweet singers, and everything that goes to make the most agreeable musical comedy offering, has been booked for the entire week and will present three of the best musical comedy plays during the week that have been seen at the Victoria this season. The Brinkley Girls boast of five separate and distinct headliner acts, headed by Dixie Trio "The harmony boys with the big voices" Miss Maxine Henry the beautiful toe dancer; Ed Page, the South's sweetest ballad singer; Miss Mae Ward, singer of late Broadway successes, and Baby Maxine in song numbers. This, in addition to the regular musical comedy play with many song numbers, sounds like the biggest layout of the entire season.

But not content with this, the management was fortunate in getting the far-famed Venetian Trio, who had an

lies," and that she perform many other clever feats on the screen during the course of this picture. Nothing counted, J. Searle Dawley, into whose capable hands the direction of the picture was placed, proceeded to arrange for his star to do each and every stunt which the author requested.

Of course, you have guessed the fact that "The Rainbow Princess" is a circus story. And since it is a circus tale, these celebrated producers immediately determined to obtain the services of an entire circus in staging the picture realism. Accordingly one finds a complete show in operation when the play begins, with the vast crowd watching the side shows and all the attractions which make the circus dear to the heart of every child.

The famous Hula Hula dance which Miss Pennington originated with Ziegfeld Follies will be one of the most fascinating features of this big Paramount attraction at the Grand today.

New Helen Holmes Serial

The coming of Helen Holmes, the original thrill girl of movies, in a new serial photoplay "A Lass of the Lumberlands" is causing much talk and pleasant anticipations from many thousands of confirmed Helen Holmes fans in Wilmington. It is a serial the like of which America has never before seen. Reckless risk of life and limb—breath-taking stunts—daredevil feats that require nerve and fearlessness—are mak-



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Greatest Music Talent Ever Presented in Wilmington, as an Extra Attraction at the Victoria This Week.

open week, to appear for the entire week, paying for the first time almost as much as the usual musical comedy company. These talented musicians are among the best known trrios in the country, and are known over the entire civilized world. They have made many records for the Victor people, which can be heard at the Victor dealers in Wilmington, which, alone attests their genuine talent and worth. This act will be presented as a part of each performance during the entire week, as an extra added attraction.

The Rainbow Princess

Have you ever counted the number of motion picture stories which dealt with accidentally discovered granddaughters after their mother had run away from home and had been disowned by the wealthy head of the house? When you see Ann Pennington in "The Rainbow Princess" in which she is being starred by the Famous Players, you will think that this is another of those stories—but you will be greatly mistaken. There is a twist to this Paramount Picture, which is the feature at the Grand today and the photoplay is one that holds your interest without interruption.

The author of the play required that Miss Pennington make a balloon ascension, that she drop in a parachute, that she do her celebrated Hula Hula dance with which she has made such a sensation in the current "Ziegfeld Fol-

ies," and that she perform many other clever feats on the screen during the course of this picture. Nothing counted, J. Searle Dawley, into whose capable hands the direction of the picture was placed, proceeded to arrange for his star to do each and every stunt which the author requested.

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Another Chapter of "Liberty"

Today the latest great chapter of that serial supreme "Liberty" starring beautiful and daring Marie Walcamp in the leading role, with all-star support, will no doubt pack in the largest crowd of the year at the Bijou. Every suc-



Dashing Arthur Albro and Fascinating Flinta De Soria in "Gypsy Love." Andrea Dippe's Brilliant Comic Opera Success, at the Academy of Music, Wednesday Night.

ceeding Monday for the past six weeks, have seen constantly increasing crowds until now the capacity of the theatre is taxed from early in the afternoon until late at night.

Each chapter of this serial is absolutely getting bigger, stronger and more thrilling than any one before it. This is not usually so with serials, but the unanimous opinion of critics proclaims that "Liberty" is undoubtedly going stronger now than ever before, and each chapter contains even more thrills than any before it. So come early today, if you want to get in.

An intensely interesting three reel feature on today's bill is "Honor Thy Country" a three reel Universal drama whose making almost caused international complications with Great Britain, owing to Secretary Daniels' liberality in loaning one of his torpedo boat destroyers to the company to make it. They were captured in mid-ocean by an allied cruiser and had much difficulty in explaining their identity and getting their release. It is a tense and exciting drama, with an irresistible patriotic appeal that will make everyone thrill with enthusiasm, and stars beautiful Neva Gerber in the leading role.

"Gypsy Love" Wednesday. Melodious "Gypsy Love," romantic comic opera in that Fred Harb has given the world as a successor to his "Merry Widow," is to be presented here by a brilliant aggregation of New York opera stars and with a pretentious Andrea Dippe production at the Academy of Music on next Wednesday, December 6.

"Gypsy Love" musically is somewhat like "The Merry Widow," but with richer score and a greater number of selections that became popular hits. Its music is claimed to be of such wonderful quality that Mr. Dippe has been compelled to send with the company an expensive orchestra of specially chosen New York musicians.

The story is a romantic narrative, liberally besprinkled with comedy, of a maid of noble birth who loves the woodland better than the mockery of palace life. In her forest wanderings she meets a gypsy troubadour. She is enthralled by his "Gypsy Love," and is about to fly with him when warned by her old nurse to beware of the lure of gypsy love. The nurse induces her to drink of the magic river "Serna" and the clairvoyant waters reveal to the maid what life with her gypsy sweetheart would bring. The dream comprises the entire second act of the piece. The shallowness of gypsy love is shown to her, in the third act she is seen fleeing back to the arms of her real lover.

The prices will range from 75 cents to \$2. Tickets will go on sale at Elvington's Pharmacy this morning at 9 o'clock.

De Rue Brothers' Minstrels.

One of the principal features with DeRue Brothers' Ideal Minstrels will be the reappearance of the Turner brothers in America, direct from their tour of the principal cities of Europe, which included a ten weeks' engagement at the Coliseum Hippodrome, in London, England, where their act met with great favor and was witnessed by DeRue Bros' European agent, and immediately an agreement was made and they were engaged for their first return appearance in America. They have the distinction of being one of the few acrobatic duos who have performed and appeared before royalty. This sensational novelty is without a doubt the most marvelous performance which has yet appeared in America, performing seemingly impossible feats of acrobatic agility. DeRue Bros guarantee the appearance of the feature act at each performance at the Academy of Music matinee and night on next Saturday, December 9. The matinee prices will be 25 cents for balcony seats and 50 cents for lower floor seats. Children admitted to any seat in the theatre for 10 cents. Night prices will be from 50 cents to \$1. Tickets will go on sale at Elvington's Pharmacy Thursday morning.

"Sweethearts."

With charming Julia Gifford, singing the title role and a beauty chorus whose voices blend delightfully with hers, Victor Herbert's masterpiece, "Sweethearts," will play a limited engagement in this city at the Academy of Music at an early date.

As "Sweethearts" is a fairy opera, it follows as a matter of course that it must concern a princess who is abducted in her infancy. She is secreted in a tulip bed and found by a fairy godmother at the disfigurement of a laundress and later when she is wooed and won by a gallant prince charming, love finds

a way, and everyone is glad and lives happy ever afterwards. "Sweethearts" will be presented here under the management of Chris. O. Brown, who has beautifully mounted his production.

POLICE TAKE LITTLE GIRL FROM HER PENNILESS MOTHER

Kinston Chief Dresses Her Up and is Keeping Her in His Own Home.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Kinston, N. C., Dec. 3.—Carrie May Oglesby, 10, pretty and attractive and very well-mannered, is being kept at the home of Chief of Police Skinner, who refuses to let the child be returned to her mother, Mrs. Olivia Oglesby, a homeless middle-aged woman of the city. Motorcycle Policeman Walter Hamilton took the child from the mother and carried her to the police office, where a scene that moved the officers present followed the arrival of the woman just behind Hamilton and the child. The girl consented to the separation but wept bitterly over it; the woman left the station crying. According to the police, Mrs. Oglesby is penniless and practically friendless. She is shabbily dressed and owing to her ill-nourished condition has no energy to seek work, the officers believe.

The little girl told Chief Skinner that the couple secured food as best they could and slept under any shelter that presented or none at all. On recent bitter cold nights they slept on a railroad platform; under the projecting bank of the Neuse river on the shore in Southwest Kinston, in a bed of leaves and sawdust from a lumber mill, with no covering, and in other exposed places. Frequently they went hungry. Sometimes sympathizing colored persons gave them lodging and food. Mrs. Oglesby made the girl beg, Carrie May told the police.

Chief Skinner turned the little one over to a clothier with instructions to "fit her out." Carrie May Oglesby was a perfect little doll of a girl when she was returned to the officers, who petted her and made "a big fuss" over her. She is intelligent, demure and would make a nifty moving picture child heroine; Carrie May has had real life experience such as the child movie actors never have, though. She joined the rollicking, numerically strong kid community in the Skinner home and is as happy as one can be when one doesn't know where one's mamma is. Skinner says that Carrie May will go back to

done by Houston. Telfair fell mortally wounded and died in a few minutes.

"FESTIBUL" A FATAL AFFAIR

One Negro Is Killed as Result of Quarrel in Pitt County

(Special Star Correspondence).

Greenville, N. C., Dec. 3.—A negro "festibul" at Hill, or better known as Penny Hill, resulted in the death of one negro. They were having a big time of some kind, when as is the usual under such circumstances, a disagreement arose and a riot resulted. Allen Houston and Louis Telfair were the principals involved. Telfair sought safety in taking to his heels. The chase led a round the house. It is said that Houston's son, Wast, gave him a gun, and overhauling Telfair at a corner of the house, the shooting began, all being

MISS ESTHER MARKS DEAD

Young Woman Who Died in New York to Be Buried at New Bern

(Special Star Correspondence).

New Bern, N. C., Dec. 3.—News of the death of Miss Esther Marks, the eighteen-year-old daughter of Mr. M. N. Marks and which occurred at New York yesterday morning after a lingering illness, came as a shock to scores of friends of the deceased here. Miss Marks had been in failing health for more than a year. A few months ago her condition showed some improvement and she was taken to New York, it being thought that a change of scenes would do her good. Ten days ago she grew suddenly worse and the end followed yesterday.

The remains will arrive in the city

this afternoon and the interment will be made here probably on Monday afternoon.

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It's so! Taint so! Tis! Taint! It's a
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else has.

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on something to be bought and then
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in the game.

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like they were done 500 years ago.
A few men do things in a different
way and take in nearly every bit of
the money.

Every community has its actors and
reactors. Where the moonbakers, the
flareshakers and the pullbakers are in
the majority that community gets be-
hind and wonders why others go ahead.

A newspaper story announced a
few days ago that "a fortune awaits
a boy." However, his greatest for-
tune is that he is a boy. An old
fellow with a fortune would rather be
a boy.

New Congressmen will hurry to
Washington under the impression that
the people in their district will ex-
pect them to save the nation. They
will be given a back seat so they can
look on.

It might be remarked that the price
of eggs is both exorbitant and eg-
gasperating, but instead of doing that
we prefer to say that we decided some
time ago that we don't have to eat
eggs till our ship comes in from El
Dorado.

When Edison was experimenting
with electricity men who thought
themselves wise declared that he was
piddling away his time as a dreamer.
Edison has a vision, but those who
mistook themselves for being wise
men did not know the difference be-
tween a dreamer and a man with a
vision.

Lots of people who thought Col-
onel Bryan had been laid on the shelf
are now marveling at the fact that
"Bryan is coming back." Having
thought it over, going and coming,
it is all a mistake to say that "Bryan
is coming back." When he appears
he will have disappeared, he has merely
gone on ahead to blaze a new trail.
When we are going back some men
pass us going ahead.

Old man Glutton and old man Greed
are having a fight. Both are "from
Missouri" and don't know whether they
are drifting. Both are on the way,
because they are violating the law
of supply and demand. One is creating
a demand by his appetite and the other
is cornering it by his greed. By means
of false economy one is trying to live
out of a cold storage, while the other
fellow is living on it and taking money
and abuse in equal proportions. Be-
tween being a boob consumer in a one-
crop country and being the proprietor
of a cold storage establishment in
Jersey City, we don't care to be a
consumer so far from where the grub
grows.

ECONOMIZE INSTEAD OF THEORIZE.

An embargo on the exportation of
foodstuffs would be welcomed by mil-
lions of people who are up against the
almost prohibitive prices of many of
the necessities of life and who honest-
ly believe it would bring them relief
from their distress caused by the soaring
cost of living. However, embargo his-
tory might repeat itself. The embargo
in 1912, caused prices to tumble, but
when it put a stop to exports business
then and manufacturing slowed down,
people were thrown out of employment
and the result was that the people had
no means of buying the cheapest kind
of food because they did not have the
price.

After all, it may be a better way for
all of us to do it to put a temporary em-
bargo on our style of living. When we
cease to buy as much as usual and thus
lessen the demand, prices fall automati-
cally in response to the law of supply
and demand.

We ought always to seriously take
into consideration the economic effects
of legislation or other artificial means
to interfere with the law of supply
and demand. It is a mistake to believe
that legislation is all-powerful. Em-
bargoes always result in combinations
by which prices are kept up and even
increased. The Republicans believed
that all they had to do was to pass a
high protective tariff law in order to
make American industries prosperous.
They were mistaken. They never
thought of the economic effects. A
high tariff is an embargo on imports
from foreign countries, so when it goes
into effect it leaves the whole Ameri-
can market to our own manufacturers.

That is what the Republican protec-
tive aim was, but the bomb in it hit
American industries and came very
nearly putting them out of business—
just opposite of the aim of the Republi-
cans. The average Republican would
dispute this but if he will get a copy of
the American Magazine published in
November, we think it was, he will be
convinced by a biographical sketch of
Mr. Charles M. Schwab, who discovered
the only economic process by which
American industries could get the bene-
fit of the tariff. The magazine prints
Mr. Schwab's picture and lauds him to
the skies for his immense genius in dis-
covering the way to obviate the disas-
trous effects brought about by the Re-
publican embargo on imports.

It is very interesting, you know, but
the average Republican is "from Miss-
ouri!" It is curious but they don't have
to doubt, if they will only read that
romantic sketch going in to the particu-
lars about Mr. Schwab's rise to fame
and fortune. Mr. Schwab was a man
with a vision and he sat down and
thought up something that several mil-
lion Republicans didn't know could be
thought. Well, the effect of the high
tariff was the finest kind of thing for
the consumers, but the average Demo-
crat wouldn't believe it. However, they
can see how it is, if they will read the en-
tertaining sketch of Mr. Schwab. The
long and short of it is that the high
tariff fenced off the American market
for American industries only or mostly,
with little or no foreign competition.
It looked so good to investors that they
plied their money into individual devel-
opments. It surely encouraged the
building of industries, but it did not
and could not assure them prosperity.
Consumers got the benefit in cut prices.

The Schwab story is that the high
tariff caused some fourteen large and
distinct iron and steel plants to come
into existence to scoop in the American
market. When they began to scoop,
they scooped each other on orders. They
cut prices during their sharp competi-
tion, so the high tariff was not worth a
cent to them because of their own com-
petition with each other. In fact, Mr.
Schwab says the competing iron and
steel companies cut each other's throats
and it made prices so low that prac-
tically all those industries were bankrupt.
So they were. The high tariff had
about killed them, but it made Mr.
Schwab's gray matter get busy to
offset such a disastrous effect of a
mere Republican theory about the
tariff. He cogitated to the effect that
since the tariff embargo shut out Euro-
pean competition it had not taken
home competition into account. Mr.
Schwab decided to attend to that, so
he got up a plan to put an embargo on
home competition. The plan was to
combine all the iron and steel compa-
nies into one colossal concern so it would
not have any kind of competition and
could fix any old price it pleased. It
looked feasible to J. Pierpont Morgan,
who could see through a thing quicker
than Republican tariff theorists
could see through a window in broad
daylight, so he financed it with mil-
lions. Its affectionate and patriotic
name is the United States Steel Cor-
poration, but in spite of the fact that
they named it after the United States,
the people call it the "Steel Trust" and
sometimes the "steel trust."

Therefore, an embargo on foreign
imports brought forth combines and
trusts into existence. Otherwise, home
competition under a high tariff abso-
lutely made protection a pipe dream.
Organized industries with no competi-
tors can take advantage of protection,
but industries not in a combine only
think they get the benefit of the tariff.
For a long time the Republicans made
working men believe they got all the
protection, but when working men
found out that it was all a joke, labor
organized. Wherefore, organized in-
dustries and organized labor give each
other a run for the money that is in
the tariff. All of us on the outside
are the innocent by-standers.
Congress meets today, so it will be

pretty apt to look before it leaps in the
matter of putting an embargo on ex-
ports. It might fool us like the im-
port embargo fooled the Republicans.
The economic effects may be worse
than the relief we would hope to get.
It does not pay to be too strong for a
thing before we know whether it is
loaded or not. The embargo in 1912
was loaded, but perhaps there are a few
Schwabs who may know how to keep it
from doing the opposite of what it is
intended to do. As a general thing, it
is better to economize than it is to theorize.

WE WILL WATCH WASHINGTON.

Congress meets today, but it is the
old body and not the new one which
is to do the country's legislating this
winter. This will be a very important
session of Congress, but it may not get
down to business in regular form till
after Christmas and New Year's recess.
It is rather reassuring that at such a
critical period as the present that Presi-
dent Wilson will have the same old
team with him that helped to make his
administration thus far a triumph for
the people.

The Congressmen have been home
among the people during the recent
campaign and they are in pretty close
touch with the sentiments of American
citizens in the four corners of the Re-
public. It is presumed that Representa-
tive Fitzgerald will at once spring his
joint resolution for an embargo on food
stuffs, and the probability is that strong
pressure will be brought to bear on
Congress to take action for the relief
of consumers. However, it is pretty
safe to say that President Wilson and
his old team can be depended upon to
do the best they can for the people. It
is a wise President and Congress that
we have at this time, so we can rest as-
sured that Wilson's judgment will con-
tinue to dominate.

Next year President Wilson will have
a different kind of Congress to deal
with, but in serious matters the De-
mocrats and Republicans, who are
about equally divided, are more than
apt to sustain the President. The De-
mocrats will have a majority in the
Senate and they claim that they will
control the House by a majority of
two, while they count on the support of
the Socialists, Independents and Pro-
gressive Republicans to aid them in re-
electing Speaker Clark and continuing
the committee organization as it has
been during the past two years. The
Republicans understand what the peo-
ple meant by re-electing President Wil-
son, and Senator La Follette thus ex-
plains it pretty clearly:

"Wall Street came in behind Hughes
and tried to put him over with money
—and lost. Boss Murphy 'knifed' Wil-
son—and lost. The Rooseveltian Jin-
gones shouted for Hughes—and lost.
Boss Sullivan laid down on Wilson—
and lost. The mountaineers threw
their power for Hughes—and lost. Boss
Taggart 'falled' as his party nominee in
Indiana—and lost. The Old Guard poli-
ticians stuck their thumbs into Hughes'
campaign—and lost."

The able Wisconsin Senator was a
good supporter of the Wilson admini-
stration during the last four years, and
he and other Progressive Republicans
Senators can be expected to render
good service to the Administration for
the next two years. As Senator La
Follette reads the meaning of the elec-
tion last month, he sees in it approval
of the Wilson administration and he
takes it as a mandate to President Wil-
son to continue his determined course
to keep this country out of war. We
are satisfied that much of the Republi-
can sentiment in the next Congress
will be about as Senator La Follette ex-
presses it.

MORE CIVIC EFFICIENCY NEEDED.

Prison reform, better institutional
management and improved public in-
stitutions in North Carolina are needed
to correspond more with the civilization
in North Carolina. Many of the pri-
sons and institutions of our cities are
a reflection upon North Carolina en-
lightenment and it is time we were in-
sisting upon improvement in both the
public buildings and their management.
Such as this from the Kinston Free
Press indicates the need of what we
are writing about:

"Council for C. R. Fields, white, a
Lenoir county man, states that suit
will be brought against one or more
defendants not yet determined, for the
recent incarceration of Fields in the
city jail as a place unfitted for de-
tention of prisoners. Field's commitment
for intoxication, suffered severely from
cold, it is charged. There is no station-
ary means for heating the cells. The
"jail" is the most unique in North
Carolina, probably. It is constructed
of wood, is full of cracks, and the best,
if not the only, bed in the place is the
floor. Fields told the police that he
had rather be chained to a stake on the
neighboring court house lawn. With-
out the city or members of the police
force will be named in the complaint
has not been decided."

We don't know the condition of the
Kinston prison but we infer from the
above that it isn't such as to add to a
community's reputation. Too many of
such complaints come from both the
press and the grand jury reports in
various counties, and it reminds us that
a State movement ought to be started
to bring about reform in this particu-
lar. If we are going to have a progres-
sive Democracy in North Carolina, it is
time to remedy those things that are
liable to bring reproach upon it. This
is a matter that the judges might keep
an eye upon.

Come to think about it the Bible
intimates that the Egyptians had a
wise plan for conserving foodstuffs.
During famine periods the bordering
nations depended upon the granaries
of Egypt for relief. We don't know
what the plan was, but Joseph seem-
ed to have been in charge of it.

THE REGULATION OF FOOD PRICES.

Over-production of anything means
low prices. Short production means
high prices. Price manipulators might
temporarily interfere with the law of
supply and demand, as they have been
known to do, but they are not able to
do it long. A cotton bull may pay high
prices, as did Sully, when there was a
big cotton crop, but when price read-
justment took place, down went the
price and down went the bull specula-
tor. When the cotton bears beat down
the price for a while and it then goes
up because the crop is 2,000,000 or 3-
000,000 bales short, down goes the bear
speculator.

Strong pressure is being brought to
bear on the government to regulate the
price of foodstuffs, but nobody has yet
come forward to tell Uncle Sam how to
do that without being able to regulate
acreage, regulate sunshine, regulate
rain, and regulate production. The gov-
ernment can pass laws providing pen-
alties on people who play the faker,
pirate and robber, but possible there
are those who remember that after one
of this country's trusts has been fined
\$29,000,000 by Judge Kennesaw Moun-
tain Landis, it paid whatever portion
of the fine was collected and the trust
then made the people pay it by increas-
ing prices on them.

That same kind of Big Business tried
to elect a president of the United States
on the 7th of last November, and the
fact that they came within an ace of
doing it shows that nearly one half the
people in America voted on the side of
the monopolists and the money power
that ordinarily does as it pleases and
defies the masses and the laws of this
country. No government can be any
stronger than the people, so when the
people are fighting in about even num-
bers opposed to each other, it comes
very nearly being a house divided
against itself.

Each crowd wants the other regulat-
ed, but neither wants to be regulated,
but when regulation of the wrong kind
is attempted all the people pay for it,
whether the government or the defend-
ants may win. So far as the regulation
of food prices is concerned, could the
government do what the people be-
lieve it can do?

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star remarks that
"there is more room at the top than
ever before." That's true and the way
to the top seems to be slicker than
ever before.—New Bern Sun-Journal.

Governor Craig has reappointed
Henry R. Starbuck, Republican, Judge
of the Fourth county court. The court
was created two years ago and Demo-
cratic representatives designated Judge
Starbuck as the first judge. This was
a fine thing to do, and it is interesting
to note that for the first time in the
history of the court a little more than
strongly Democratic this year than
ever before.—Durham Herald.

The colored undertakers of this
State and other business men plan to
erect a \$25,000 casket factory and em-
balming school. At a meeting held
at Wilson November 20 a company was
formed and plans were perfected for
the erection of a plant that would em-
ploy from 50 to 100 negroes. A L. Gar-
rett of this city, who has promoted the
project, states that there are over 1,500
colored undertakers in the United
States, and during his six years as na-
tional organizer for the National As-
sociation of Colored Undertakers he
succeeded in organizing them into
state and district associations, and
while it is planned to place a factory
in this state, it is also planned to place
a supply house in the center of each of
these state and district associations.
The chambers of commerce of Fay-
etteville and Durham are interested
in securing the plant for their cities.
However, Garrett hopes to see it lo-
cated in this city, not only because
he believes it to be the most logical lo-
cation, but as the colored people of this
city are at least a small factor in its
development it will aid them in their
part. Mr. Forester, secretary of the
Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Et-
tinger, chairman of the industrial
board, are co-operating with him to
that effect. A committee appointed at
the Wilson meeting will decide the lo-
cation early in December.—Greensboro
Record.

It is indeed a sublime spectacle to
see women out organizing egg boycott-
ing societies, the while they are wear-
ing shoes that cost them fourteen dol-
lars a pair—boots, they call 'em now,
with enough waste leather in 'em to
half sole their husband's pants. It is a
sublime spectacle to see men out sell-
ing about high cost of living and hold-
ing meetings denouncing the men who
control the prices of sugar, the while
they are rushing through the world in
six cylinder cars, paying all that's asked
for gasoline—and millions of useless
automobiles parked around the coun-
try. It is a sublime spectacle to see
these modern reformers working with-
out system and without purpose save to
exploit themselves in the big cities and
the little cities. If the eggs are for
high in price—don't buy 'em. There are
millions of men and women working in
the country, hard working people, who long
ago have put eggs on the list of luxu-
ries and never eat 'em. Those who
cannot afford silk dresses do not jump
over board and start a boycott against
silk d—ses—they simply buy a little
calico or gingham and let it go at that.
Eggs and meat need not be eaten every
day. In fact there be speculated pro-
fessors of great renown who tell us
solemnly that we all eat too much—
that we are a nation of gourmands.
Now that prices are soaring why not
eat special counsel to aid the common
wealth's attorney in the prosecution.
One man out of the six tried was found
not guilty.

VIOLATED PROHIBITION LAW

Four Negroes and White Man Convicted
of Selling Liquor.

Newport News, Va., Dec. 3.—The first
jury convictions in Virginia under the
new prohibition law were made Satur-
day when four negroes and one white
man were found guilty of selling liquor
and fined from \$100 to \$400 and senten-
ced from one to months in jail.
The state prohibition commissioner
had special counsel to aid the common-
wealth's attorney in the prosecution.
One man out of the six tried was found
not guilty.

TRINITY MAN AWARDED RHODES SCHOLARSHIP

Charles R. Bagley, of Moyock, Ap-
pointed From This State.

Will Receive About \$1,500 for Three
Years, Beginning October, 1917,
to Defray Expenses at
Oxford University.

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Trinity College, Dec. 3.—Charles
Rutherford Bagley, of Moyock, A. B.
Trinity, 1914, and A. M. from the same
institution, 1915, at present instructor
in the department of romance lan-
guages here, has been notified by the
Rhodes scholar from this State to Ox-
ford University, England, for three
years, beginning October, 1917. The
appointment is a distinction eagerly
sought after, not only for the honor
which it carries with it, but also for
the honorarium attached. Mr. Bagley
will receive an annual allowance from
the Rhodes Scholarship Fund of three
hundred pounds, English money, which
is equivalent to about \$1,500, a sum suf-
ficient to defray all expenses incident
to his residence and study in England.

A more deserving appointment to
this coveted place was probably never
made. Mr. Bagley is one of the most
promising men ever graduated from
Trinity. As a student, he found time
not only to earn a considerable portion
of the funds needed for his education,
but he was likewise a leader in nearly
all phases of college life. He was
graduated second in a class numbering
68 men and women, was editor-in-chief
of the college annual, a crack tennis
and baseball player, was interested in
debating and literary activities, and a
man of all-round usefulness and of
universal popularity. He is a member
of the Kappa Alpha Fraternity, the
1915, a local scholarship society, and of
Sigma Upsilon, the literary fraternity,
besides numerous other college organi-
zations. As president of the Pan-Helle-
nic Council, he was largely instrumen-
tal in securing the rules now regulat-
ing the activities of local Greek-letter
societies. Last year Mr. Bagley was
head of the department of Latin and
director of athletics in the Spartan-
burg, South Carolina, high school, and
he is this year instructor in French in
Trinity.

Mr. J. S. Wannamaker and family, of
St. Matthews, S. C., spent Thanksgiving
here with their brother, Prof. W. H.
Wannamaker, of the department of Ger-
man. They made the trip from South
Carolina, a distance of 250 miles, in
their automobile, in 13 hours.

Mrs. Mary S. Trenholm, of South Car-
olina, is spending some time on the cam-
pus, the guest of Mrs. W. H. Wannama-
ker.

A local committee from the faculty
is co-operating with a committee of
the North Carolina conference of the
Methodist church, South, to arrange
the annual banquet of the Trinity
Alumni Association of that conference,
which will be held here next week.

Prof. W. K. Boyd, of the department
of History, made last Wednesday in
Raleigh, on business.

120 BUSHELS TO ACRE

Prizes Are Awarded to the Pitt County
Corn Club Boys

(Special Star Correspondence.)
Greenville, N. C., Dec. 3.—At a meet-
ing of the Pitt County Board of Agri-
culture yesterday, prizes were awarded
the Corn Club Boys. There were a
number of contestants and all made
good averages, but 120 bushels made on
one acre won the prize. The winners
of the fifth and last prize made 74
bushels. The winners were announced
by A. K. Robertson, State Corn Club
Agent. The winners were:
First prize, \$15.00, Roy Wrenn, 120
bushels; second prize, \$12.00, S. H. Mur-
ford, 117 bushels; third prize, \$10.00,
Oscar Joyner, 75 bushels; fourth prize,
\$7.50, Jasper Perkins, 75 bushels; fifth
prize, \$5.00, Alton McLawhorn, 74 bush-
els.

An effort will be made to get more
boys interested in the Club next year.
Better yields will also be expected,
though 120 bushels of corn to one acre
is no bad crop. With 1917 a good year
that yield will be passed.



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sults," said a prominent local druggist. Dodson's
Liver Tone is personally guaranteed by every
druggist. A large family-sized bottle costs only 50
cents and if you find it doesn't take the place of
dangerous, salivating calomel you have only to ask
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Dodson's Liver Tone is a pleasant-tasting, pure-
ly vegetable remedy, harmless to both children
and adults. Take a spoonful at night and wake up
feeling fine, no sick headache, biliousness, ague,

sour stomach or clogged bowels. Dodson's Liver
Tone doesn't gripe or cause inconvenience all next
day like calomel.

Take a dose of calomel tonight and tomorrow
you will feel sick, weak and nauseated. Don't lose
a day's work!

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine.
You'll know it next morning because you will
wake up with your head clear, your liver active,
bowels clean, breath sweet and stomach regulated.
You will feel cheerful and full of vigor and ready
for a hard day's work.

You can eat anything afterwards without risk
of salivating yourself or your children.

Get a bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone and try it
on my guarantee. You'll never again put a dose
of nasty, dangerous calomel into your stomach.

ELKS COMMEMORATE DEPARTED BROTHERS

Annual Memorial Exercises Were
Held Yesterday Afternoon.

Lieutenant Governor-Elect Max Gardner Makes Eloquent Address at Victoria Theatre—Ceremonial Extremely Impressive.

"The faults of our brothers we write upon the sand. Their virtues upon the tablets of love and memory."

Tribute to the memory of the departed brothers of Wilmington Lodge, No. 532, Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, was paid with impressive exercises at the Victoria theatre yesterday afternoon. Hon. O. Max Gardner, of Shelby, Lieutenant Governor-elect of North Carolina, was the orator of the occasion and Exalted Ruler A. J. Mitchell presided.

The impressive exercises began at 3:30 o'clock when a large delegation of the lodge marched in a body from their temple on North Front street to the theatre building at Second and Market streets. An immense crowd filled the large auditorium to overflowing. The stage was a veritable sea of ferns and evergreens, and entwining vines, symbolic of brotherly love, were draped on the light brackets of either side of the hall.

In the center of the stage, between two white pillars entwined with ivy, stood a laurel crowned tablet bearing 24 stars, each star representing one of the deceased members in whose honor the services were held. Behind each star was concealed an incandescent, which blazed into light as the name of the deceased member was called by Secretary J. O. Reilly for the third time.

The orator of the occasion was introduced by Marsden Bellamy, Esq., of the local bar, who spoke briefly of his career as college student, as a lawyer and in public life, pointing how he had steadily advanced to his present position. Mr. Bellamy told of the keen regret felt last year when Mr. Gardner was prevented from making the memorial address on account of being hurt in a railroad accident at Salisbury but declared the pleasure of the local Elks and their friends was all the more pronounced because he had been restored to health again and was able to be present on this occasion.

The address by Mr. Gardner, delivered with great eloquence and force, was a magnificent tribute to the memory of those who, having lived well their life here, have passed over the river of death. He had the close attention of the audience from the beginning as he pictured in vivid words the grim power of death and then depicted the brighter side of a life well lived and spent. The address was replete with striking illustrations which brought home with impressive force the nobleness of living and the sublime grandeur of death.

The speaker praised the beautiful custom of the Elks in commemorating the memory of their brothers who have preceded them to the Grand Lodge above. Dramatically he told of how the angel of death was no respecter of persons, as it passed not by the mansion of the millionaire, nor yet overlooked the hovel of the beggar and how for ages, inscrutable, mysterious and silent, it has weeded out the ranks of mankind, and defied the power of mortals to solve its mystery.

The speaker next touched on the three great points of the Elks' creed—Love, Justice and Brotherly Love. These are the things, said he, that make life worth while, and not the vain glory of power in other lines. He spoke of Napoleon and described his feelings as he stood at the sepulchre of the great soldier in France a few years ago.

"As I stood and gazed at that tomb," declared the speaker, "my mind traveled back to the words of Bob Ingersoll, when he stood at the same spot years previous." Mr. Gardner then used Ingersoll's words, in which he stated that he would rather be the lowest peasant in the country, enjoying his existence with his loved ones, and go to his death unharmed through the ages, than to lie in the mausoleum of the great soldier, who sacrificed the only woman who ever loved him, to further his personal ambitions.

Mr. Gardner compared Lee with Napoleon and told of the difference between these two great soldiers, the one who loved and worked for mankind and the other who knew no love save that of personal gain and advancement. The speaker concluded by saying that it was his desire to live by the side of the road and labor and love his fellow man.

A special quartette composed of Mrs. Mattie Longfellow, soprano; Miss Julia Post, alto; Mr. E. L. Green, tenor; Mr. F. F. Harris, Jr., bass; and Mr. E. H. Munson, accompanist, sang the opening anthem, "Rock of Ages," from the Bick. Exalted Ruler Mitchell then made a brief speech explaining the purpose of the exercises, and going through a part of the Elks' ceremonial after which Secretary J. O. Reilly called the roll of the departed brothers. They are:

F. W. Foster, Dr. R. E. Zachary, R. L. Gates, E. P. Bailey, John H. Gore, Edgar J. Bear, J. E. Ong, Felix H. Klutts, L. P. Aaron, John M. Wright, Leo Loeb, Isaac M. Bear, James W. Monroe, S. H. Fishback, I. J. Bear, I. J. Sternberger, F. P. Donlan, Isaac Bear, Rev. Jas. Carmichael, Henry Gieschen, Adonis M. Prince, Dr. Morris M. Caldwell, Dr. J. H. Bornemann, Dr. Chas. T. Harper.

The members of the lodge then arose and sang their opening ode, "Great Ruler of the Universe," "Great Ruler of the Universe," "All-seeing and benign, Look down upon and bless our work And be all glory thine. Oh, hear our prayers for the honored dead."

While bearing in mind, The memories graven on our hearts, For 'Auld Lang Syne'."

Following a prayer by Rev. Father Hour, acting chaplain in the absence of Rev. Father Donnan, who is out of the city, the sweet strains of the anthem, "No Shadows Yonder," from Gault's "Holy City," sung by the quartette, filled the auditorium. Mr. Gardner was then introduced in a few appropriate words by Marsden Bellamy, Esq., of the local bar.

At the conclusion of Mr. Gardner's address, the lodge sang the closing ode: (Continued on Page Six.)

WILMINGTON CONCERN PURCHASES TUG BOAT

Vessel Formerly Used on Florida Coast to Be Carried North.

A. G. Bigelow, Large Towing Vessel Bought from Seaboard Air Line—Capt. Sanders to Leave With Boat This Week.

The Wilmington Towing Company has purchased a large tug boat, the A. G. Bigelow, which is now at Cedar Keys, Fla., from the Seaboard Air Line Railway, according to an announcement made last night by the president of the local concern, Mr. R. R. Stone. This vessel was built nine years ago at a cost of between \$30,000 and \$40,000 but was purchased at a considerable reduction by the Wilmington company in view of the fact that the railroad company had no further use for the vessel.

Capt. W. A. Sanders, agent for the Wilmington Towing Company, left this city a week ago to supervise the work of getting the vessel in seaworthy condition and he will leave for the north with the boat on Tuesday night of this week. As the tug will be used in towing service either at Baltimore or Boston, it is not likely that she will be brought to Wilmington unless rough weather should set in. As Cedar Keys is on the west coast of Florida on the Gulf of Mexico, it will take some ten or 12 days to get around the peninsula to the Atlantic coast in this vicinity.

The tug was formerly used in towing barges, which had been loaded with phosphate rock, to tramp vessels which were unable to get to the docks at Cedar Keys on account of lack of water. When the European war began, it was impossible to continue this means of transportation and for time the phosphate quarries remained idle. However, the Seaboard recently acquired possession of them and has arranged to load the rock on vessels directly either at Tampa or Apalachicola, Fla. However, in order to acquire quarries it was necessary to take over the equipment including the A. G. Bigelow. The quarries were formerly owned by a New York concern.

The tug is one of the largest of its kind in the service. It is 90 feet in length and has a beam of 25 feet length. The boat has compound engines both fore and aft with steam reverse gear and is equipped with electric lights. It is comparatively new and in splendid condition.

It will be of interest to know that the Wilmington Towing Company now has a tug in operation at Philadelphia, one at Cape Lookout on the harbor of Refuge and is interested in one which is operated in New York harbor. The new addition to its fleet of tugs will be used either at Baltimore or Boston, the company having the opportunity to put her into service at either place.

RESOLUTIONS WERE ADOPTED

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Honors Memory of Dr. G. D. Bernheim.

At the special memorial services which were held last Sunday at St. Matthew's Lutheran church for the late Rev. G. D. Bernheim, who was the first pastor of this church, Rev. C. W. R. Kieley, of Chicago, made an address and the pastor, Rev. G. W. McClanahan, read a brief sketch of the life of Dr. Bernheim. The following resolutions were adopted by the congregation:

1. It was with very great sorrow that the congregation of St. Matthew's English Evangelical church heard of the death on October 24th, of Rev. G. D. Bernheim, a former pastor in his home in Charlotte, N. C. Assembled as we are this morning, in a service to do his memory honor, we wish to testify in a most befitting way concerning his life and services.

2. Dr. Bernheim was the first regular pastor of St. Matthew's and during his pastorate of nine years he endeared himself, not only to the members of the congregation, but to a large circle of friends in the community, who willingly bear testimony to his upright character and influence as a man of God.

3. He was scholarly in his attainments and forceful as a preacher while at the same time, simple and clear in his presentation of Biblical truth.

4. He was a sympathetic and devoted pastor, entering most tenderly into the lives and hearts of his parishioners.

5. He was a noted author and was very successful in establishing churches and took a very active part in the different departments of the work of the Lutheran church.

6. For these and many other notable attributes he is remembered by the "Faskin" of this congregation, who place on record our sincere and high appreciation of his devotion and service in our midst as shown by his Godly walk and Christian virtues.

7. That we have these resolutions published in the daily papers, and the Lutheran Church Visitor.

8. G. W. MCCLANAHAN, WM. OTTERSEN, W. W. KOCH, FRED SEITZ, R. C. HOPKINS, Secretary, Committee.

SUPERIOR COURT OPENS

TODAY FOR CIVIL TERM

Judge George W. Connor, of Wilson, Will Be Presiding Judge.

Superior Court for the trial of civil cases will open this morning for a two weeks' term. Judge George W. Connor, of Wilson, arrived in the city yesterday to preside. The civil docket was recently arranged with the idea of clearing the calendar so far as possible at this term, and it is probable that court will be in session for the entire two weeks.

Judge Connor, at the last term of court, here, appointed a committee to go over the docket and arrange the cases so that those that have been on for some time will come first.

NATION-WIDE PROBE OF MARKET CONDITIONS

Wilmington Selected as One of Cities for Investigation.

Chamber of Commerce to Co-Operate With Advertising Clubs of the World in Securing Information About Business.

Wilmington has been selected by the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World as one of the leading marketing centers of the United States and Canada, in which they will make their third annual investigation on business conditions, according to a letter received yesterday by the secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce.

This will be the third continent-wide investigation which has been made by the Associated Advertising Clubs. Two years ago, when the European War unsettled trade conditions, the advertising clubs were appealed to to report the actual change in purchases for an index month of 1914 over the same month of the previous year.

A number of cities were selected as representative and men were sent to obtain answers to five simple questions, from the leading retail dealers in the lines with which every consumer comes in contact. The investigation of 1914 showed that despite many alarming reports the average consumer of North America had only decreased his purchases 2.3 per cent.

The second investigation showed an average increase in American consumption of 15.8 per cent. in 1915 and of 1916 the investigation will be made along the same lines it was conducted in the two foregoing years. It will embrace department stores, grocery stores, hardware stores, jewelry stores, clothing stores and drug stores which are considered the six most representative lines of business.

This investigation is said to be the only one of its kind upon the only plan, it is claimed, which has ever been devised to give every merchant an opportunity to compare his record for the year with the average in his city, with the average in his Federal Reserve district and with the average of the entire country.

In advertising the questions which are put by the Advertising Club representatives, no business man will be asked to give away any business secrets or divulge confidential figures. No names or dollars and cents figures are asked for and all that is wanted and required is percentages which are held strictly confidential.

A part of the value of the work rests in such that the information is collected and the figures tabulated. The collection of this information will be started this morning and it is hoped that every retailer in Wilmington will answer the five questions when they are called upon.

The reports will be mailed before midnight of December 7th and Mac Martin, of the Mac Martin Advertising Agency, of Minneapolis, Minn., chairman of the committee, has promised to have the complete tabulation and deductions for the continent finished within 150 hours after that time. Last year more than 1,000 investigators gave their time to this work and this year the corps of statisticians in Minneapolis will work in day and night shifts not missing an hour until the last deduction has been made.

The questions to be answered by the merchants are as follows:

1. Sales. "What is the percentage of increase or decrease in your total volume of sales for November, 1916, as compared with November 1915?"
2. The same question relating to advertising expenditures.
3. The same question relating to volume of stock on hand.
4. The same question relating to net profit.
5. "What per cent of all money in accounts on your books October 31, 1916, was collected during November?"

"IT CAN BE DID"

Mr. T. W. Doster Shows Natives of New Berlin How to Grow Celery

When Thomas W. Doster, recently of Boston, Mass., moved to New Berlin he began to experiment with the growing of celery. The older residents of the town, discovering his intentions, informed him that it "couldn't be did." "Others have tried but with no success," they said.

Nevertheless, Mr. Doster remained by his own contentions and sowed his seed. In September he had plants ready for transplanting and today, celery is ready for market. The variety grown by Mr. Doster is Giant Pascal and Golden Wonder.

The dirt method of bleaching was used. Next year the farmers of the vicinity will follow Mr. Doster's method and go in for celery on a large scale. He has shown them that it can "be did" and also states that almost anything can be done anywhere else can be grown here successfully if handled properly.

INTERESTING PHENOMENON

High School Observatory Will Be Open For Boy Scouts Tonight.

A phenomenon that will be of interest to Boy Scouts and others which can be seen tonight, will be the nearness of the moon to Jupiter. In order that the Boy Scouts may have an opportunity to view this to better advantage, Mr. John J. Blair, superintendent of city schools, has kindly arranged to have the High School observatory open tonight from 7:30 to 9 o'clock. He will be on hand to explain the interesting occurrence and it is hoped that as many as possible will avail themselves of this opportunity.

Paris, Dec. 3.—The death in Rome of Sir Francesco Paolo Tosti, composer and song writer, is announced in a dispatch to the Havas agency.

NOTICE

The management of the Brunswick Bridge and Ferry Co. wishes to announce that the ferry is operated from sunrise to 8:00 o'clock P. M.

Physicians having night calls and wishing to use the ferry after these hours can communicate with the Ferryman by calling "Phone 1003-W" at any hour. Failing this, please call "phone 1497, a-1" I will take pleasure in rendering every possible assistance.

O. A. DURANT, Manager.

WILL BUILD ADDITION TO THE KENNEDY HOME

Contract Has Been Given to Mr. L. H. Vollers.

Funds for Erecting New Structure Provided for in Will of Late Mr. Sam. Bear, Jr., Will Be Memorial to His Mother.

The construction of a new building at the Catherine Kennedy Home, at Ninth and Princess streets, which will be a memorial to the mother of the late Mr. Sam. Bear, Jr., who provided the sum of \$10,000 for this purpose in his will, will be started at an early date. The contract has been awarded to Mr. L. H. Vollers, a well known contractor of this city, according to an announcement made last night on behalf of the board of managers of the institution.

Mr. Bear in his will provided the sum of \$10,000 to be used either for the support of the home or in the construction of a new building as the board of managers saw fit, but in any event it was to be a memorial to his mother, Mrs. Mina Bear. Believing that it would best serve the interests of the institution to have a new structure, it has been decided to erect a building on the grounds of the home, and Mr. Vollers has been selected as the contractor. The contract will be formally executed today, and work will be started immediately.

The new structure, which will be known as the Mina Bear Memorial building, will be constructed of brick, and will be two stories in height with an attic. It will be built entirely separate from the present building, but in close proximity, so that it can be easily connected to the old structure. It will have 11 bed rooms, living room, dining room and provision will be made for steam heating apparatus. The plans for the building have been made by Mr. B. H. Stephens, of this city, who will be the supervising architect.

The present home was erected in 1895 through private donations, and has since been maintained for the care of aged women, who are without other means of support. It was established through a benevolent society which was organized some 70 years ago for the purpose of taking care of the indigent poor. The work of the society in this respect was taken over later by the Associated Charities, and its efforts have since been directed to looking after dependent elderly women.

The erection of a new building which will adequately care for those at the home it is hoped by the board of managers will inspire others to make donations for the support of the institution. The home has stood through the years as a magnificent memorial to the generous impulses of the benevolent citizens of this city, and its future usefulness with better equipment will be greatly enhanced.

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COLORED PRISONER OUTWITS POLICE AND TAKES DEPARTURES

Mary McLaughlin Had Scruples Against Remaining in Prison.

The world of freedom has received once more into its bosom the person of Mary McLaughlin, colored, and she now roams at will in a vastly different atmosphere than that which surrounded her when she was incarcerated in the municipal hall Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning.

Unfortunately Mary was accused of yielding to temptation, and receiving before a justice of the peace a sum of \$6.00 in cold, clean cash, the said sum being the rightful property of another colored woman, by name, Lizzie Mallett. Now Lizzie objected to this familiarity with her belongings, so she appeared before a justice of the peace and had papers sworn out that would deprive poor Mary of the right of liberty and the privileges that commonly go with the pursuit of happiness.

Dama Rumer informed Mary of this activity on the part of her enemy, so when a plainclothesman appeared on the scene Saturday morning, she took flight, not through the door but through a rear window. She made good her escape, but she took the risk of returning for her belongings, and then in spite of another quick sprint, and a record vault over a fence, the relentless hand of the law closed on her.

At the police station she spent the afternoon weeping and wailing, and as night drew on she grew worse and complained that she was deathly ill. Toward morning she was taken to the James Walker Memorial hospital and before medical attention, but after her return to the station she seemed to grow worse, so she was returned to the hospital and there interned—for a few minutes.

As soon as the nurse turned her back on the "dying patient" Mary arose from her bed of affliction and dived through a window. When the nurse returned a few minutes later Mary had departed, not from this world, but merely from this particular hospital. So, there will be one absent member when Solicitor Burton calls the roll in Recorder's court this morning.

FUNERAL OF MRS. SHRIER

Services Will Be Held From Residence Today—Interment in Oakdale

The funeral of Mrs. L. Shrier, whose death occurred Saturday night at her home following a long illness, will be held from the residence, No. 408 Princess street and will be conducted by Dr. S. Mendelsohn, rabbi of the Temple of Israel. The interment will be in the family lot at Oakdale cemetery.

The pallbearers will be as follows: Honorary, Messrs. H. F. Wilder, W. H. Yopp, J. W. Yates and Ben Solomon; active, Messrs. E. L. Davis, E. H. Brown, William Struthers, Jr., Sigmund Bear, Henry Wall and Anson Allgood.

Hundreds of friends called at the home yesterday to extend condolence to the members of the bereaved family. Mrs. Shrier through her tender devotion to those who knew her had won their love and affection. She was 65 years old and for the past two years had been an invalid. Although oftentimes suffering great pain, she was always cheerful and never complained.

Two Great Obligations

Confront Every Man of Family Affairs

To provide for the present physical, educational and moral needs of those dependent upon him—

To arrange for their continued protection in the face of any emergency which may arise.

This institution stands ready to advise and assist individuals in fulfilling these natural demands.

ESTABLISHED 1900

THE PEOPLES SAVINGS BANK

COR. FRONT AND PRINCESS STS.

A Good Investment

For those who did not take advantage of our December 1st quarter to make their deposits, we would suggest our Demand Certificates of Deposit, on which interest is paid in three months from date of issue. These certificates are issued in any amounts upwards of \$100.00.

The Wilmington Savings & Trust Company

110 Princess Street

Total Assets over Three Million Dollars.

DANGER OF SALT FAMINE

Inability of Railroads to Furnish Transportation Facilities Leads to Serious Situation.

A new phase in the railroad car shortage situation was brought to light yesterday, when it was announced that due to lack of transportation facilities, the country is facing a serious shortage of salt.

This statement coming from a prominent local wholesale grocer, is one of the most startling features that has as yet resulted from the railroad situation. Salt is an indispensable commodity, and if the supply is cut off, or even lessened, there will be genuine suffering throughout the country.

It is a situation, however, that is peculiarly affected by the car shortage. Salt being one of the cheapest staples on the market, naturally is transported by the railroads and other common carriers at a low rate, and with the shortage of cars reaching an acute stage, it necessarily causes a falling off in the business of the railroads, and forces them as a matter of necessity to haul more remunerative classes of freight in preference to the lower-rated stuff.

The local supply of available salt, that is the amount that is usually stored in warehouses by large dealers, is practically exhausted, according to authoritative information given The Star yesterday. Local dealers are buying their supplies subject to the condition of available means of transportation.

It is understood that practically the total reserve supply that is on hand on the local market is or the coarse variety that is totally unfit for table or domestic uses. The dealers can get no guarantee of delivery, and, of course, are unable to say when the situation will be relieved.

In some other parts of the country the situation is even more acute than in Wilmington, and many dealers, especially those in the rural communities, are advising their farmer customers to make sure of their supply of salt before killing their hogs and bees.

The salt shortage is even more widespread and more vital than the coal question, for while in a pinch a substitute for coal can be found, salt is a commodity that cannot be replaced.

—Henry E. Weaver, known to the theatrical fraternity as "Doc," arrived here yesterday to prepare the city for the coming of the Viator Herbert opera. "Sweethearts" with Julia Gifford in the title role. Mr. Weaver says that his company has been doing a record breaking business and he expects capacity audiences during the limited engagement of "Sweethearts" in Wilmington.

Incomparable in Flavor
pure in ingredients, appetizing and healthful, Lea & Perrins' Sauce has been the standard for generations.

Lea & Perrins' SAUCE

The only original Worcestershire Sauce
Send postal for free kitchen hamper containing 100 new recipes
LEA & PERRINS, Market Street, New York City

Christmas Buying is Best done in the Morning

And In Order to Encourage Early Morning Shopping We Have Inaugurated

Morning Specials

One Special Each Morning and Will be Sold Special Only Until Noon of the Day Advertised.

HANDKERCHIEFS

Will Be This Morning's Offering and the Price Will be 19c for Any Box or Package of Ladies' or Misses' Handkerchiefs That We Sell Regular for 25c. The Assortment Is Big.

Shop Early and See Them.

Belk-Williams Comp'y

SOCIAL

Mr. Oert C. DeRosier, a student at the University of North Carolina, is visiting his mother, Mrs. R. C. DeRosier.

Mr. John Perdue, a student at the University of North Carolina, is spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Perdue.

The Parish Guild of St. Paul's Episcopal church will conduct a Christmas sale of fancy work, cake and candy at Storch-Bancroft Company's store, Wednesday, December 6, at 3:30 P. M.

Mr. W. O. S. Sutherland and his bride who was before her marriage, Miss Mary Owen Green, of this city, have returned from their bridal trip to Florida and Cuba.

Judge Geo. W. Connor, who will preside at a two weeks' term of Superior Court, beginning today, and Mrs. Connor arrived in the city yesterday from their home at Wilson, and are guests at The Orton.

Mrs. J. K. Baylis, formerly Miss Genevieve Dushan, of this city, now of Philadelphia, Pa., is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Utley King, at Greenfield Terrace. Mrs. Baylis will be joined shortly by her mother, Mrs. Charles Dushan of Greenville, S. C.

Mr. Odis B. Hinnant, city boys' work secretary, will deliver the second of a series of lectures tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock at the Hemenway school building to the mothers of the city. His subject will be "Physical Traits of Adolescence." The place of meeting has been changed from the High school.

Col. Walker Taylor has accepted an invitation to make an address at a social meeting of the Young Men's Social Service Association of Fifth Avenue Methodist church which will be held at the church this evening. The organization was only recently formed but already has a large membership. All of the members are requested to be present tonight.

POLICE NABBED GAMBLERS.

Six Darkies Were Enjoying Niece Little Game When Interrupted.

Huddled together in the center of a room on Foster's alley last night at 10 o'clock, six negroes were enjoying a Christmas game when they were interrupted by three policemen who entered the room to purchase, and watching the little spotted cubes as they rolled on the carpet at their feet, six negroes, four men and two women were so interested in their game that they failed to hear the crunch of footsteps on the sidewalk until three policemen leaped into their sanctum, and informed them that their little game was ended in the name of the law.

This is the protogee of this thrilling serial adventure on the by ways of Wilmington. With its lure, its fascination, and its dangers, the next installment will be written from the Recorder's court this morning when J. B. Banks, Mac Crawford, Enoch Davis, Lewis Dixon, Janie Porter and Sally Purdy face trial for gambling, and Policemen A. L. Long, W. B. Haskett and W. H. Hanesley will appear as witnesses for the State.

OVER TWO THOUSAND ATTEND

Wilmington Sunday Schools Had Good Attendance Yesterday

Returns from 16 churches of the city yesterday, indicated that 2,689 persons attended Sunday school in the various churches of Wilmington during the week. The Baptist lead with 925, and the Presbyterians came second with 861. Other churches reporting ranked as follows: Episcopalians, 495; Lutherans, 221; Methodists, 110; Christians, 77.

The First Baptist leads all individual churches with 425, the First Presbyterian took first place among the Calvinists with 250, while the church of the Good Shepherd led the Episcopalians with 221. The Church of the Ascension had an average attendance for November of 71.54 per cent of these or 40, were present every Sunday, and have been placed on the honor roll. The complete record follows:

Presbyterian	
First church	250
Immanuel	223
St. Andrew's	192
Delgado	139
Pearson Memorial	87
Baptist	861
First Church	425
Southside	187
Calvary	187
Delgado	156
Episcopalians	495
Good Shepherd	221
St. John's	116
St. Paul's	86
Ascension	72
Methodist	110
Bladen Street	110
Lutheran	221
St. Paul's	221
Christian	77
Dock Street	77
Grand Total	2,689

LOCAL DOTS.

"Judge" G. W. Bornemann has announced that hereafter, in order to properly attend to his duties as notary, and magistrate, that he will sleep in the rear of his office, so that he can be reached at any hour, day or night.

There will be a meeting of the Speakers' Club at the Y. M. C. A. tonight at 8 o'clock. There will be a number of short declamations by the members, and plans will be considered for the adoption of a new constitution for the club.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Hon. J. Y. Joyner, of Raleigh, state superintendent of education, spent yesterday in the city. He was a guest at The Wilmington.

—Among the arrivals at The Orton yesterday were: A. F. Benjamin, Southport; J. A. Houston, C. L. Alexander, J. P. Sloan, Charlotte.

—Among the arrivals at the Wilmington yesterday were: Harvey Bonney, Rose Hill; C. Emmett, Fayetteville; W. H. Royal, Benson; H. J. Margolis, Wallace; C. L. Hallett, Burgaw.

—Mr. W. B. Cooper left last night for Raleigh to attend a luncheon which will be given for William Jennings Bryan by the Chamber of Commerce of that city. From Raleigh he will go to Durham to attend the annual session of the North Carolina Methodist Conference.

THE JOY OF FINISHED TASKS

Rev. M. T. Plyler Brings Inspiring Message to Congregation for Close of Conference Year

The value of finished tasks and their preparation for larger things in the future was the appropriate subject chosen by Rev. M. T. Plyler for his sermon at Grace Methodist church yesterday morning. This was the last Sunday of the Conference year and Mr. Plyler spoke feelingly of the great joy and privilege of having been the leader of the church during a year that has been marked by big achievement.

Mr. Plyler spoke very optimistically of the future possibilities and declared that Grace church has never before realized its possibilities for service as a club or social organization, he pointed out, but its influence reaches to the very ends of the earth.

"I have finished the work which thou gavest Me to do," a clause from St. John's Gospel 17:4, was the text for the sermon. The minister pictured the wonderful scene in the upper room when Christ was delivering His parting message to His disciples just before instituting the feast of the Lord's supper which was to be a symbol that henceforth the world was to look to Christ as its redeemer. In this message Christ addressed his disciples to have faith in God and to love one another and brought to them the consolation that they should have the presence of the Holy Spirit.

Mr. Plyler emphasized the joy that a finished task brings to those who have labored perhaps for long years to accomplish some noble purpose. While the completion of a task is worth while, we should never lose sight of the fact, said he, that it is but a preparation for greater things.

To a Methodist preacher, said Mr. Plyler, the words of the text come with peculiar force for it is literally true that a minister of this denomination completes his work at the end of every year as he is never assigned to a station for a longer period. Whether it be good or not, he must let it pass.

Not the man who has accomplished the most from a material standpoint or the man who has received the greatest applause will be the one who is the proudest when he goes to the Conference, the speaker declared, but it will be the one who has been the most faithful in meeting the responsibilities placed upon him.

The man who never tries to accomplish anything in the kingdom of God cannot expect to experience the joy that comes from a finished task. We must undertake something, if we ever do anything in the world. Those who complain are apt to be those who never try to do anything. Those who are the happiest are those who have labored most zealously.

During the morning service, the members of the Wesley Bible class occupied the front pews. At the meeting of the class at the Sunday school hour, resolutions were adopted endorsing the splendid work that Mr. Plyler has accomplished since becoming pastor of the church and expressing the hope that he may be returned next year.

TO MOVE TO NEW QUARTERS

French Millinery Shop Will Occupy Store Room in Garrell Building.

Announcement has been made that the French Millinery Shop, which has been located over the Wilmington Shoe Co. in the annex to the Murchison bank building, will move this week to the vacant store room in the Garrell building on Princess street, which was formerly occupied by the Wilmington Furniture Co. This store has recently been entirely renovated and re-painted, making it completely modern and up-to-date.

Queenstown, Dec. 3.—The British steamship Harpalus, 1,445 tons gross, was sunk yesterday by a submarine. The crew was landed.

DO YOU PLAN TO SHOP EARLY?

If You Are, It Was Time You Were Making Your Preparations and If Not, Why Read This Anyway.

And now comes that season of the year when Santa Claus appears in the windows of every store in the land, when thousands of newspapers proclaim the fact that there are but a few more shopping days before Christmas, and every friend, neighbor and acquaintance advises you to do your Christmas shopping early.

Now this year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and sixteen is not different from all the other one thousand nine hundred and fifteen Christmas seasons that have preceded it, but it will pay you to do your Christmas shopping early.

Of course, you knew all along that we were going to say all this, sooner or later, and you have, of course, resolved not to pay the slightest attention to it, wait right up until the eleventh hour, and then go forth and buy up all your collection of presents, still in the last few days before Christmas shopping early.

Pity the poor clerks who have to wait on the hordes and throngs of customers that fill to overflowing every little shop that as much as affords a firecracker counter on the last few days before Christmas. They will have their hands full without your waiting to trouble them, and would appreciate it if you would arrange to patronize them a little earlier in the season. For that reason they would like to have you—do your Christmas shopping early.

Then, too, you must remember that along toward Christmas there is going to be a mighty big rush of parcel post on all the mail cars and postoffices in the land, and there is the likelihood that your parcel will go astray if you wait until the home stretch to do your mailing, and that is another reason why you had better do your Christmas shopping early.

Furthermore, the ladies of the Red Cross Society expect to realize a neat little sum by selling their seals to evildoers who mail out a Christmas present or parcel, and they would like to have as much of it as possible before Christmas. Also, if you wait until the last minute, they might miss seeing you, and thus lose a sale, so it is their advice to you to—do your Christmas shopping early.

Some 43 merchants of the city are going to remain open the last three nights in this week in order to show you just what kind of a handsomely decorated window they have got. They, too, would like you to come in, look over their line, and then—do your Christmas shopping early.

Lastly, it is much more pleasant to stand out on the street, and watch the pedestrians flow by, each with the spirit of "Peep on earth, good will toward men," written on their faces, than to stand for hours in a crowded shop or store, and await your turn, and, as like as not, find that the very thing you wanted has been sold; therefore, we would advise you to—do your Christmas shopping early.

As said in the beginning, we knew that you would be expecting this, and would wait until you saw it before resolving for the tenth time that it was all bosh, and becoming more determined than ever to wait until the last minute. We knew all this, knew that this would have to be written, and, consequently, took in advance, and—did our Christmas writing early.

ALF W. HAYWOOD DEAD.

Was One of State's Best Known Lawyers and Cotton Mill Men.

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 3.—Alf W. Haywood, president of the Haw River Cotton Mill, one of the best known lawyers and cotton mill men in the State, died at his home at Haw River, N. C., tonight at 6 o'clock of erysipelas, aged 62. He was a son-in-law of the late Governor Thomas M. Holt, of North Carolina. Two sons, Alf W. Haywood, Jr., and T. Holt Haywood, reside in New York.

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WILSON OUTLINES PROGRAMME WHICH HE WANTS PASSED

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This has been given precedence in consideration over all other general legislation. Realizing that three months is a short period for consideration of general measures when appropriation bills also must be passed, the President asked the house leaders if they thought there would be time for enactment of new railroad laws before March 4. Both told him they thought there would be and promised to exert every effort to economize time on other matters.

Would Eliminate Recess. Speaker Clark reminded the President that Congress would have to pay strict attention to business, and asked him to help at the outset to eliminate the usual two weeks holiday recess.

President Wilson spoke briefly regarding other important measures, among them the Webb bill to permit domestic corporations to maintain collective foreign selling agencies, the corrupt political practices bill and conservation measures. Proposed embargo legislation and issues raised by the high cost of living were not mentioned at the conference, although the house leaders believe the subject is bound to demand attention of Congress.

"There is no question," said Representative Kitchin, "that various measures aimed at high prices of food will be passed. Discussion of that issue is bound to consume time, but in spite of that I think we can find time for consideration of railroad laws. Of course I assume to speak for the House only. I don't know what the Senate can do."

"The matter of paramount importance," said Speaker Clark, "is time. The President wants the railroad question dealt with as soon as possible. I will do all I can and asked him to help me out on the holiday recess. That will help some."

Within a few days the President proposes to talk with Senate leaders regarding the legislative programme, but the conference probably will not be held until he has delivered his address to Congress on Tuesday. Senator Kern, the majority leader, has been delayed in reaching Washington, owing to illness, but will arrive tomorrow in time for the opening of the new session.

Scores of Members Arrive. Scores of members of both houses reached Washington today and tonight and a full attendance of Congress tomorrow is assured. One of the last to arrive was Vice-President Marshall, who was given an enthusiastic reception at the railroad station this afternoon.

The President has made few general engagements this week but is his desire to devote himself almost entirely to conferences with congressional

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PERFECTION
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leaders in an effort to get the legislative machinery started promptly.

Expecting to remain almost constantly in Washington, the President probably will accept few of many invitations now before him to speak in different places. No final plans have been made for delivering a special message on the high cost of living to Congress later in the session, but Mr. Wilson is understood to favor taking such a step when the opportunity offers.

Will Give Two Dinners. On Wednesday the President will entertain William J. Bryan and Mrs. Bryan at lunch in the White House, and Thursday night he will give a dinner in honor of Vance C. McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, to which have been invited members of the Democratic and Progressive campaign committees.

The visit of Mr. McCormick to Washington is expected to be marked by the appointment of a chairman of the inauguration committee. Very soon after Congress convenes the President will make nominations to the Tariff Commission, the Shipping Board, and the board created by Congress to administer the workmen's compensation law for Federal employees.

FIGHT FOR RESTRICTION OF EXPORTS IS PREDICTED

Washington, Dec. 3.—Although the administration leaders are not considering food embargo legislation in their plans, some of the members of Congress who arrived tonight predicted that there would be a determined fight for some measure to restrict exports of foodstuffs.

Representative Fitzgerald, Democrat of New York, has given notice that he will advocate an embargo, and Representative Farr, of Pennsylvania, Republican, announced tonight that he would re-introduce tomorrow his bill of last session which would authorize the President to prohibit the export of wheat if after investigation he found that there was less than a barrel per capita on hand in the country.

FIVE VESSELS SUNK

Two British, One Norwegian and Two French Craft Sent Down.

London, Dec. 3.—Lloyd's reports the sinking of the following vessels: British steamships Burcombe, 2,516 tons gross, and Ietlar, 4,528 tons gross. Norwegian steamship Skjoldur, 489 tons gross. French sailing vessels Briantais, 256 tons gross, and Cap Lihov, 523 tons gross.

NEW STEAMSHIP LINE

H. & O. Railroad Negotiating With South American Capitalists. Baltimore, Dec. 3.—Announcement was made today that negotiations were under way between the Baltimore & Ohio railroad company and a group of South American capitalists for the formation of a \$16,000,000 steamship company whose vessels will ply between Baltimore and South American ports.

ELKS COMMEMORATE DEPARTED BROTHERS

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"We've finished our labor, the parting has come. And each of our brothers now goes to his home. And, our voices blending, we now will depart. In perfect love, giving each note from the heart. Each duty accomplished, each brother content. Oh, thus may we ever our friendship cement. May charity, justice and brotherly love At last lead us all to the Grand Lodge above."

The benediction was then pronounced by Rev. H. W. Koelling, pastor of Pearl Memorial Presbyterian church, in the absence of Rev. E. deP. Heald, who was prevented from attending by illness.

The beautiful floral decorations including the striking emblematic design on the stage was the work of Mr. Wm. Rehder, of this city.

STATEMENT CONDITION THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK

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RESOURCES:	LIABILITIES:
Loans and Discounts \$5,533,969.70	Capital Stock . . . \$1,000,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at Par) 482,500.00	Surplus and Net Profits . . . 728,923.59
Bank Building . . . 480,000.00	Circulation . . . 543,300.00
Bonds and other Securities . . . 326,600.00	Special Deposit Bonds 15,000.00
Liquidation Account, Southern National Bank . . . 28,676.34	Acceptances . . . 760,000.00
Customers' Liability . . . 750,000.00	Deposits . . . 7,510,133.21
Cash and Due by Banks . . . 2,810,611.76	
Total . . . \$10,542,356.80	Total . . . \$10,542,356.80

DEPOSITS:
Nov. 17th, 1914 . . . \$4,213,401.77
Nov. 17th, 1915 . . . 6,083,763.59
Nov. 17th, 1916 . . . 7,510,133.21

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

CLEWS' WEEKLY REVIEW

Reactionary Symptoms, Stocks—Hardening Tendency in Money Market—No Slackening in Trade

(Special Star Correspondence)

New York, Dec. 3.—For several weeks past reactionary symptoms have been developing in the stock market. Under the stimulus of war inflation the situation had become very one-sided, and the danger of too violent a reversal was becoming more and more apparent unless the brakes could be applied with discretion. The first check came from a perfectly natural cause—the desire to take a profit. A great deal of liquidation has already occurred during the month just closed, insiders in a position to know being fully aware that it was advisable to lessen their holdings before the movement had reached a climax. To this extent the technical situation has been improved, especially by this week's decline.

But other influences have also been at work temporarily favoring a reaction. The first of these was the general uprising against high prices, especially in commodities. Dear food was breeding serious public discontent and paving the way for further Government interference with business. Again there were signs that our property was while not ended in approaching, if it has not reached, its zenith, and that owing to the greatly increased cost of doing business there will be no such profits in 1917 as in 1916. Labor is securing a liberal proportion of these profits, and when the increased costs of labor, raw materials and distribution are taken into consideration, the margin of profit, it will be discovered, has been materially affected. Moreover, high prices are already causing lessened consumption and increased production. Thus does nature law in the form of supply and demand automatically correct abnormal conditions more surely than any of the fads and nostrums advanced by those who believe in Government regulation. Natural law is still superior to all human interference, which usually results in a new set of ills, worse than those attempted to dispel.

Another cause of reaction was the increased tightness of money. The expansion of credit has been enormous, and in spite of the marvelous growth of banking resources, the demand for accumulation was growing at a pace that rendered a slowing down inevitable. The immense volume of business at absorption of foreign-held securities, the huge amount of money invested in various foreign loans and the demands of new enterprises at home, all meant heavy demands upon the local money market. Lenders and investors are consequently asking and securing better rates. In other words, capital, like other things, is rising in value because demand is overtaking supply and owners are enabled to hold for more advantageous terms.

Still another disappointment was the unexpected attitude of the Federal Reserve Board toward the forthcoming issue of British Treasury notes in which investment was discouraged. Concerning the wisdom of this announcement there was a decided question of opinion, there being no question about the safety of these Treasury bills, which are simply unrenounceable short term obligations of the British Government. The advice to bankers to go slow and not absorb these securities in too large amounts may have been conservative and timely, but would have done less harm if more discreetly offered. The natural effect of this announcement, which was not generally understood, was to depress foreign bonds, and it may temporarily interfere with their marketing in this country, especially in view of the new issues anticipated early next year. Should the market for these bonds be affected, it would also tend to check munition orders and such exports as have depended upon this method of payment. Thus far during the war this country has taken over \$1,500,000,000 in foreign bonds, an amount much less than the usual requirements of American railroads for the same period. These sums were not loans in the ordinary sense of the term, but legitimate payment for munitions, more acceptable to us than loans in our own securities. It is not desirable that we take back all foreign holdings of our shares, since a good international market for them adds to their stability in times of stress at home. Moreover, it is well for our country to maintain a good market abroad for American securities in case this country ever meets a crisis in which it might be obliged to cross the Atlantic for financial assistance.

On Monday Congress opens and a new set of conditions will be faced. It is a short session and there is considerable left-over business of an important nature that should be finished before the new Congress comes in a year hence. Fortunately the most disturbing issues immediately in sight.

The money market continues to show a hardening tendency, and as a result funds are flowing more freely in this direction from the interior. Gold exports from Canada were renewed, about \$25,000,000 having arrived this week with prospects of more following. December shipments were estimated at nearly \$17,000,000, or about 20 millions more than a year ago. This increase is small compared with the known profits of many concerns, but proves that abnormal earnings are to a large extent being wisely devoted to reducing fixed obligations, improving plant, building extensions and otherwise putting our industrial concerns in a stronger position for meeting contingencies. January disbursements will also be heavy, and a good investment demand for better grade securities is to be anticipated during the next few weeks. The disposition to "salt down" recent gains becoming more and more evident among conservative investors.

The war as a factor exerted little effect last week. The persistent talk of peace naturally affects the outlook of industrialists dependent upon war contracts, though this factor is naturally offset by the absolute refusal of the Allies to consider any mediation at this time. The growing pressure of neutral influence, however, plus war weariness and the intense longing for an end to this terrible conflict must in time bring peace.

Fundamentally the market is in fairly good condition, since trade is active, credit sound, and there are no signs of business recession. There is no question but that the advance in stocks had been too rapid and uneven, and

some sort of readjustment was inevitable. The reaction of the last few days has been beneficial, and as soon as it has run its course recovery will be order; though it must be remembered these are unsettled times and discrimination should be closely followed.

At this Thanksgiving period the American people should be thankful for living in a country and belonging to a nation not engaged in the present death-dealing and destructive warfare waging in Europe; thankful that the only struggle in which we are involved is one of diplomacy and not of warfare; thankful by all who are willing to work to participate in a conservative and satisfactory degree in the widespread prosperity now prevailing throughout our God-protected country.

HENRY CLEWS

MARINE

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Str. Quito (Br.), 3,155 tons, Anderson, Alex. Sprunt & Son.
Str. Nicaragua (Ger.), 3,383 tons, Holbach, Heide & Co.
Str. Kiel (Ger.), 3,673 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Dec. 3, by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 3.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROBIN—Nominal.

TAR—Nominal.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Nominal.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nominal; rosin, nominal; turpentine, nominal; crude turpentine, nominal.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine 4
Rosin 195
Tar 92
Crude Turpentine 12

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 1 oak; rosin, 7 barrels; tar, 95 barrels; crude turpentine, 8 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—1916; quotations same day last year, nominal.

Receipts 243 bales; same day last year, 740 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 68,780 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 126,401 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 3.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 50c to 55c bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—\$1.40 to \$1.50 per bu.

CORN—\$2.10 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c to 12c per lb.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22 1/2; first class wool, 28 to 35; highest grade, washed wool, 35c.

SHEEP—Old, good quality, grown, 2 1/2 to 3c pound. Lambs, best quality, 6 to 7c pound.

HIDES—Green salt, 15c to 16c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Old hams, 23 to 25c; sides and shoulders, 18c to 19c per lb.; good demand.

BEEF—Wax—Firm, 25c per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c to 22 1/2c on foot; dressed, 25c to 27 1/2c; chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 25c to 28c head.

EGGS—35c to 36c dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 3.—North Carolina peanuts; new crop, farmers stock, fancy handpicked, \$1.07; No. 1, machine, \$1.09 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts; farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 66c; fancy handpicked, 60c; No. 1 machine picked, 55c.

Spanish peanuts; farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, \$1.15; Jumbos, \$1.30 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 3.—Spanish—Farmers' stock; Market quiet. New stock, \$1.25 per bu.

Virginia—Farmers' stock; Market quiet.

New stock—Fancy Jumbo, 4 1/4c per lb.; Extra Prime, 3 3/4c per lb.; Prime, 3 1/2c per lb.; Shelling stock, 3c to 3 1/4c per lb.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Reactions Featured Trading Last Week—Big Decline Recorded

New Orleans, Dec. 3.—Prolonged reactions from the advance featured the trading in cotton last week. After standing at the highest levels ever reached in the future market on the opening session, the market was given over to a reactionary movement which increased as the week progressed. From the highest to the lowest there was a fall of 68 to 103 points. At the highest levels prices were 15 to 24 points over the previous week's close; at the lowest they were 50 to 79 points under. The close was at a net loss of 44 to 73 points.

Spots did not follow the decline in the contract market, but closed at 19 1/2 for middling, the lowest of the week, and a net loss, compared to the previous week's close, of only six points.

This week the market will be largely absorbed in the Census Bureau report on ginning to the end of November, of which is due at 9 o'clock Friday morning, and the annual crop estimate from the department of agriculture during the following Monday. The trade expects the ginning report to show about 650,000 bales ginned this last period, while the estimate of the yield is not expected to come far from 11,000,000 bales.

GIFTS FOR MARINES.

Will be Taken to Haiti and Santo Domingo by Naval Collier.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 3.—Announcement was made officially today at the navy yard that a naval collier, yet to be named, would sail from the yard December 15 for Haiti and Santo Domingo to carry Christmas boxes to the marines and naval men now seeing service in these republics. All boxes prepaid to Norfolk and reaching the navy yard on or before the 14th will be forwarded free of charge.

Williamstown, Mass., Dec. 3.—The baseball schedule of Williams College for the 1917 season, made public here today, shows that the team will play Washington and Lee at Lexington, Va., April 16. Twenty-three games are scheduled.

STOCKS UNDERGO REVERSES

Reserve Board's Caution as to Anglo-French Notes Overshadowed All Other Events.

New York, Dec. 3.—All other events of a week replete with interesting developments were subordinated to the note of caution sounded by the Federal Reserve Board regarding the proposed Anglo-French short term loan and the subsequent cancellation of that project. Second in importance was the rise in call loans to 6 1/2 per cent, the highest rate of the year to date, and a direct outcome of the steady dwindling of local reserves in the three preceding weeks. To what extent these reserves diminished as a result of excessive speculation in matters of conjecture, but their speedy rehabilitation is altogether probable.

According to reliable data, there was no slackening during the past month of the country's general activities, many new commercial and industrial records being made. Temporary recession in the stock market were preceded by declines in the more important staples and commodities, especially cotton and grain. These reversals were viewed with complacency in responsible financial quarters. Widespread increase of wages was accepted as a natural concomitant of the advance in prices of virtually all necessities.

Prices of stocks, while somewhat irregular, were well sustained, with spectacular advances in such isolated cases as Ohio Gas, Montana Power and several other utilities. As yet there are no signs of a general investment inquiry such as accrue from the release of large sums in interest and dividend payments. Wall Street's indifference to peace rumors was seen in the almost continuous depreciation of exchange on Germany and Austria. Further heavy import of gold from the countries of the Entente Allies pointed to the pressing requirements of the Entente Powers.

NEW \$500,000 BUILDING FOR WAKE FOREST IS PROPOSED

Two Literary Societies Vote to Raise \$15,000 Each.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wake Forest, N. C., Dec. 3.—The Y. M. C. A. and the Y. W. C. A. of Wake Forest College have passed upon a report of their respective committees, voting to raise \$15,000 from each society toward the erection of a new building which will contain halls for the two societies, the Y. M. C. A., and all other voluntary activities of the student body. According to plans laid before the societies this fall by President Forester, the new building will cost \$30,000, the two societies together being asked to contribute \$15,000.

A committee from each society is working in co-operation with the trustees appointed last May by the board of trustees, consisting of Mr. E. F. Aydt, chairman of the board of trustees; President W. L. Forester, Dr. Livingston Johnson, and Mr. Carey J. Hunter.

SECOND SESSION OF 64TH CONGRESS WILL OPEN AT NOON TODAY

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As possible in the big naval bill of the last session. To keep up with the three year building program provision also should be made for additional scout cruisers, destroyers, fleet and coast submarines and auxiliary ships.

Conservation legislation will be demanded by its champions but whether time will permit is a dubious matter. Water power bills will be revived. They include the public lands water power bill and the measure to provide for development of water power sites in navigable streams by private capital. There also is pending the Newlands \$60,000,000 bill for general development and coordinated control of the country's waterways. Measures are pending also for conservation of mineral resources and improved control of food wastes. Other measures left over for which attention will be asked are the Shafroth bill to provide civil government for Porto Rico and the Hoke Smith bill to create a system of Vocational Education with federal aid throughout the States.

Three New Senators

The Senate will have three new members to inaugurate when the gavel falls tomorrow. It also must elect a new President Pro Tempore owing to the death of Senator James P. Clarke, of Arkansas. A new majority leader must be elected for the next Senate session to the defeat of Senator Kern, of Indiana, and the election of Senator C. W. McNairy, of Kentucky, as President Pro Tempore for the honor of President Pro Tempore. Some Senators who covet the leadership in the next Senate are under consideration are Senators Baile, of Delaware; McNairy, of Kentucky; Overman, North Carolina and Baile, of Alabama. In the selection the Democrats must take into consideration what is likely to be done with the majority leadership next year. If that is to go to a Southern Democrat and the successor to Kern most prominently mentioned is Martin, of Virginia, the new President Pro Tempore probably will be chosen from the northern Democrats.

Three new Senators who will take their seats tomorrow are James E. Watson, Republican, of Indiana, elected in place of Thomas Taggart, Democrat, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Senator Shively, Bert M. Fernald, Republican of Maine, who succeeds Senator Burleigh, deceased, and William F. Kirby, Democrat, of Arkansas, succeeding the late Senator Clarke.

The election of Watson, elected the Democratic majority in the Senate from 16 to 14, the Senate now being composed of 55 Democrats and 41 Republicans. In the new Senate the majority will be reduced to 12.

New House Members

There will be three new members also to take seats in the House, Thomas W. Harrison, Democrat, succeeding James Hay, Virginia; Harry C. Wood, Republican, West Virginia, who succeeds Republican Moss, deceased, and Henry S. Benedict, Progressive, of California, elected for the short term in place of Republican Stephens, who resigned to become lieutenant governor of his state.

THE WEATHER

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

December 4, 1916.

Meteorological data for the day ending at 3 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 44 degrees; at 3 P. M., 55 degrees; maximum, 67 degrees; minimum, 42 degrees; mean, 54 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .09 inch; rainfall for the month to date, .09 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 2.5 feet.

THE WEATHER

For North Carolina: Fair Monday and Tuesday; somewhat warmer in the interior.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 4, 1916.

Sun rises 7:03 A. M.

Sun sets 5:03 P. M.

Day's length 10 hrs. 1 min.

THE TIDES

High water. Low water.

A. M. P. M. A. M. P. M.

Wilmington . . . 5:33 5:57 12:13 1:39

Southport . . . 3:32 3:47 9:42 10:06

Masonboro Inl. . 3:21 3:36 9:27 9:46

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

December 3, 1916.

STATIONS:

Abilene . . . clear 73 — . 0

Ashville . . . clear 43 30 . 0

Atlanta . . . clear 64 48 . 0

Augusta . . . clear 66 34 . 0

Baltimore . . . cldy 70 46 . 0

Birmingham . . cldy 70 46 . 0

Boston . . . cldy 74 — . 0

Charlotte . . . clear 64 44 . 0

Chicago . . . clear 64 44 . 0

Galveston . . . cldy 70 66 . 0

Jacksonville . . clear 66 48 . 0

Memphis . . . cldy 70 — . 0

Mobile . . . clear 66 48 . 0

Montgomery . . cldy 70 38 . 0

New Orleans . . cldy 73 56 . 0

New York . . . clear 44 — . 0

Shreveport . . . clear 74 — . 0

St. Louis . . . clear 74 62 . 0

Pittsburgh . . . cldy 48 — . 0

Raleigh . . . clear 44 38 . 0

Savannah . . . clear 63 50 . 0

Shreveport . . . clear 74 — . 0

St. Louis . . . clear 63 — . 0

Washington . . cldy 80 — . 0

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For the Christmas and New Year Holiday excursion to Cuba the Atlantic Coast Line will sell excursion tickets from Wilmington to Havana, including meals and berths on steamships, at the fare and on the date named above, limited returning until January 7, 1917.

Fares will apply via Jacksonville; there via the East Coast and the "Over Sea Railroad," or via the West Coast of Florida, through Port Tampa, but not going via one route and returning via the other, and tickets will be good to stop over at all stations en route, either on the going or return trip, or both.

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No. 51

5:30 A. M.

Daily.

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6:15 A. M.

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8:00 A. M.

Daily.

No. 53

8:45 A. M.

Daily.

No. 49

3:05 P. M.

Daily.

No. 55

3:45 P. M.

Daily.

No. 59

6:30 P. M.

Thursday and Sat. only.

No. 42

6:45 P. M.

SIMMONS RETURNS FOR OPENING OF CONGRESS

Looks for Session to be One of Most Important Ever Held.

Relatives of Dead Negro Think He Was Murdered—Cupid Busy in Craven—Elks Honor Their Dead.

(Special Star Correspondence).

New Bern, Dec. 3.—That the approaching session of Congress is going to be one of the most important ever held is the opinion of Senator F. M. Simmons, chairman of the Finance committee of the United States Senate and who left New Bern last night for the capital city so that he can be on hand when Congress convenes on Monday morning.

In a statement made just before he departed the senator stated that Congress usually was in session until December 20th at which time a recess for the holidays was taken and that the major portion of this time was taken up in the re-organization of committees but that with the existing railroad situation at a crisis and the high cost of living also causing trouble, he would not be surprised if Congress was not given to these matters at once.

The senator has been spending all of his spare time in New Bern since Congress adjourned and the rest has done him most good and his friends think that he is now in better health than he has been in many years. Mrs. Simmons accompanied him to Washington.

Think He Was Murdered.

Believing that he met with foul play, relatives of Frank Dawson, colored, who disappeared Wednesday afternoon while he was engaged in loading a boat at the foot of Middle street and whose body was on Friday afternoon recovered from the waters of Trent river near where the boat was loading, had papers served on Coroner J. L. Hartsfield yesterday morning ordering him to investigate the case.

Coroner Hartsfield empaneled a jury and looked into the case but could reach no definite conclusion as to the cause of the man's death and the county physician was ordered to make a post mortem examination and this was done yesterday afternoon.

The dead man's relatives state that he have every reason to believe that Dawson was killed and they are anxious to find out whether this belief is justified.

Red Cross Seals Sell Rapidly.

If New Bern does not break all previous records in the sale of Red Cross Christmas seals this year it will not be due to the fact that the ladies of the city are not doing their part toward making this possible and they have already disposed of a large number of these.

New Bernians are greatly interested in the health work now being done in North Carolina, particularly that in regard to the treatment and the prevention of tuberculosis and they are doing their part toward helping all movements that would tend to help this.

Every local resident is being urged to place one of these stamps on every letter and package which they mail and hundreds of them are doing this even now.

Cupid Is Busy.

If there is any winsome miss in North Carolina or any of the adjoining states who has decided that she would like to annex a life partner and who cannot locate one in the city in which she happens to be living, all that she needs to do to accomplish the desired result will be to come to New Bern.

There are hundreds of damsels in this city who are ready to hook up in double harness and scores of them are doing this very thing each month, but the number of marriageable young men is far in excess of those of the ladies and there is a chance for many new comers.

Register of Deeds Stephen H. Fowler stated today that he had issued 23 marriage licenses during the month of November.

Elks Honor Their Dead.

Members of the New Bern lodge of Elks this afternoon paid fitting tribute to their dead at an impressive Lodge of Sorrow which was held at the Athenaeum theatre.

For several days arrangement of the programme has been in progress and this was rendered in such a manner that the hundreds who were in attendance were visibly touched by it.

Solicitor Charles L. Abernethy delivered the memorial address while Hon. L. I. Moore delivered the eulogy.

During the past year three members of the local lodge, Messrs. Oscar Marks, John T. Hargett and Ralph Davenport, have passed over the river.

They Want Dunn.

Considerable interest is being manifested here in the selection of a chairman of the board of county commissioners, the new members being inducted into office tomorrow.

It has been generally understood all along that Mr. William Dunn, one of New Bern's leading citizens, was to be selected for this place but recently another member of the board has intimated that he would like to have it.

In a card in the Sun-Journal yesterday afternoon a number of prominent citizens in the county stated that it was the people that Mr. Dunn be named for this place and urged that this be done.

EARLY ARGUMENT ON 8-HOUR LAW DESIRED

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The so-called railway mail pay "divisor" cases involving \$35,000,000 in claims against the government, and other important litigation.

Prospects of a final decision on the Adamson act, also are considered uncertain. After tomorrow's decisions there are only two more Monday's—the day the court invariably delivers opinions—before the holiday recess on December 23 and the first "opinion day" after then is January 8.

POSTOFFICE ROBBED

About \$100 Cash and \$10,000 in Stamps Stolen at Johnston City, Tenn.

Johnston City, Tenn., Dec. 3.—The postoffice here was robbed of about \$100 in cash and \$10,000 in stamps last night. Doors to the vault and inside safe were blown open. A safe in Carr Brothers store here also was blown open and robbed some time during the night.

ALLIED SOMME ADVANCE IS NOT OVER TEN KILOMETRES

Overseas News Agency Says Drive Has Halted Since September.

Berlin, Dec. 3. (via Tuckerton, N. J.)—After five months of the heaviest and the bloodiest of combat, says the Overseas News Agency, "the Somme offensive at no place has advanced beyond ten kilometres. This success was attained in July south of the Somme. Then the French conquered La Maisonnette in sight of the ancient walls of Peronne. Since this time, that is to say, since 145 days, the offensive has ceased at this place. No further advance could be made beyond it.

"To the north of the Somme the advance was slower but steadier. On July 10 in this sector fighting was still going on about Contalmaison which had been taken by the British July 1, but recaptured later by the Germans. After most sanguinary battles in July, August and September, the British, assisted by the French, finally succeeded in September in advancing as far as the French during the first days of July. From this time onward the Germans have halted all further advances. The recent insignificant gains of terrain cannot be measured by kilometres but by metres. Of course, through a big concentration, an attack can push back the defenders at isolated and narrowly limited places such as British did on the Ancre in November. Not one of their objects, however, was attained—not a centimetre of ground. So far, not even on the Entente side, believe any longer that the German front can be broken.

"The great offensive, which has cost the western powers 800,000 to 900,000 men, has not resulted in blood. The battle on the Somme which was started with gigantic fresh armies, with war machines and the ammunition of two parts of the world, will continue in history as the heaviest Entente defeat. It means a 'Gallipoli on the continent'.

ASSAULTS THE MANAGEMENT OF NAVAL PENITENTIARY

Thomas Mott Osborne Investigating Prison at Portsmouth, N. H.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 3.—Thomas Mott Osborne, former warden of Sing Sing prison, who at the instance of Secretary of the Navy Daniels is investigating the penitentiary at the Portsmouth, N. H. Navy yard, sharply criticized the management of the place during an address before the Twenty-first Century Club, it was learned here today.

Mr. Osborne asserted that the penitentiary seemed to him "absurdly managed," that the "uniforms were degrading" and that the treatment of the men "was the most severe anywhere."

"What is it for?" he asked, "to fit men to return to the Navy? Or to go out of the world? In either case it's a failure."

"Though it shelters youths who have committed no crime in the eyes of the civil authorities, the treatment is the most severe anywhere," Mr. Osborne continued. "When the men return from working on the sea wall, in a place where they could not have possibly have obtained anything but sand, boulders and seaweed, they are stripped and searched. Portsmouth reminded me of Portland, England, where men are searched in that absurd fashion ten times a day."

FIVE MEN UNDER ARREST ON THE CHARGE OF MURDER

Georgia Planter Killed, It Is Alleged, Following Poker Game.

Macon, Ga., Dec. 3.—Five men are under arrest here in Columbus, Pa., and not Springs, Ark., tonight in connection with the murder of Walter Wade, a Leslie, Ga. planter, Wade disappeared from America, Ga., on the night of August 17, and his body was found in the Flint river eleven days later with a bullet in the skull. Wade's automobile in which he had left America was found covered with blood stains August 18, two miles north of that city.

Those under arrest here are Warren I. Johnson, special agent for the Central of Georgia railroad, and Charles Chapman. According to the advice, C. K. Chapman and Walter Johnson, are held in Columbus, and John Etheridge has been arrested in Hot Springs.

All except Special Agent Johnson are said to have lived in America. The warrants on which the five were arrested were issued on affidavits made by J. W. Clifton, father-in-law of Wade. They charge that the men were in a poker game in America the night of the killing and that Wade left the game and started for his home in his automobile with \$500.

STIELOW GETS CLEMENCY

Governor Whitman Commutes Sentence to Life Imprisonment.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 3.—The sentence of Charles F. Stielow, condemned to die in the electric chair for the murder of Charles Phelps, a farmer in West Shelby, Orleans county, in March, 1915, was commuted to life imprisonment by Governor Whitman today.

Stielow was charged with slaying the Phelps house-keeper, Margaret Wolcott, but was not tried on that count. His conviction was sustained by the court of appeals and Governor Whitman three times granted him a reprieve.

In a statement giving his reasons for extending clemency, Governor Whitman said:

"I believe that Stielow is guilty. Twelve jurors and ten judges have passed upon this case without one dissenting opinion.

"I cannot escape the conviction, however, that there is a possibility, perhaps more than a possibility, that this defendant is not guilty.

"I think I am doing right in commencing his sentence to imprisonment for life."

WOULD KEEP FUEL LANDS

Withdrawal From Entry of Large Public Tracts Recommended

Washington, Dec. 3.—Withdrawal from entry of 45,000 acres of public land in Colorado and 26,000 in Utah, which, it is estimated, will yield not more than \$100,000 a year, was recommended to President Wilson today by Secretary Lane. The land lies within easy reach of railroad lines and it is believed they will be exceedingly valuable as a fuel reserve for the Navy.

Paris, Dec. 3.—The removal from office of Mayor Benakidis of Athens, formerly member of the Vynaselos ministry, is reported in a Havas dispatch from Athens. M. Benakidis has been replaced by M. Markouris, former mayor and one of the chiefs of the reservists.

AMSTERDAM, DEC. 3.—PREMIER ASQUITH HAS DECIDED TO ADVISE THE KING TO CONSENT TO THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE GOVERNMENT. THIS WAS OFFICIALLY ANNOUNCED TONIGHT.

London, Dec. 3.—Premier Asquith has decided to advise the king to consent to the reconstruction of the government. This was officially announced tonight.

CHARLOTTE BOY WINS DECLAMATION CONTEST

William Bobbitt Awarded Medal by Trinity College.

Took For His Subject "The Nomination of Woodrow Wilson"—Fifty-Seven Other Young Men Competed For The Honor.

(Special Star Correspondence)

Trinity College, Dec. 3.—William Bobbitt, of Charlotte, a senior in the high school of that city, was awarded a \$20 gold medal here last night when he won over eleven other high school boys of this and other States in the annual interstate declamation contest held in Craven Memorial Hall under the auspices of the \$919, a local scholarship and patriotic society of the college. He used the subject, "The Nomination of Woodrow Wilson." The judges of the contest were A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro; John D. Langston, of Goldsboro; and H. B. Craven, of Ridgecrest. President W. P. Fawcett presided at the final contest, and Mr. A. L. Brooks presented the prize to Mr. Bobbitt.

The twelve final declaimers were selected from 58 young men, representing as many high schools in this and adjoining States, at preliminaries held in the morning. The boys having yards for places in the preliminaries the evening before. In the afternoon the contestants were taken on an excursion through some of the large manufacturing plants and to other places of interest in the city and witnessed a basketball game early in the evening between the Freshmen and the Juniors.

IMMENSE QUANTITIES OF BUTY SEIZED IN RUMANIA

Enormous Stocks of Corn and Petroleum Taken in Wallachia.

Berlin, Dec. 3. (via Tuckerton, N. J.)—The operation on the Wallachian plain, in the mountain districts and on the Danube, says the Overseas News Agency, were carried out by the Teutonic Allies with such rapidity that it has been impossible to estimate the booty secured. A greater part of the crop of Indian corn fell into the hands of the invaders.

In addition enormous stocks of corn are deposited in sheds, railroad stations and mills and aboard tugboats. The petroleum stocks captured were enormous. Stocks of corn, wheat, etc., are filled with tank cars. Great quantities of leather, meats and salt were captured. Only an insignificant part of the cattle could be carried off by the Rumanians.

In the mountain valleys and on the slopes, the Overseas Agency continues, great herds of cattle were encountered. Thousands of vehicles drawn by oxen have been brought in and also much war material. The cannon, ammunition carts captured have not been counted up to the present. The retreating Rumanians at many places threw their cannon into gorges or hid them in the woods. It will require months to ascertain the entire amount of booty left behind.

RUSSIA, IN EVENT OF VICTORY, TO HAVE AN OUTLET ON OPEN SEA

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our allies, announcement of this agreement is made today from this tribune."

PREMIER HAD DIFFICULTY IN READING PROCLAMATION

London, Dec. 3.—A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says that when Premier Trepoff mounted the tribune to read the government's statement, the parties on extreme left began a hostile demonstration which prevented the premier from speaking for a quarter of an hour. Mr. Trepoff thrice appeared on the tribune but each time left owing to the turmoil.

The drama finally agreed upon the expulsion for eight sittings of 12 members of the socialist and labor parties, including the leaders, Tschernia and Kerenski, and the premier was then able to deliver his speech.

M. Trepoff, Reuter's correspondent continues, said that the lack of satisfactory order behind the tribune has caused a shortage of food in many districts, notwithstanding the abundance of produce. It may be necessary, he said, to renounce the system of restrictions and adopt some other method affording a quarter of an hour.

In conclusion the premier said: "The government's immediate programme must be directed to winning a complete and conclusive victory, cost what it may. The war must continue until German militarism is destroyed by all possibility of recrudescence in the early future. The war must be crowned by victory, not only over the enemy without, but the enemy within. The war has opened the eyes of the people and they realize now that Russian industry, education, science and artillery have been under the yoke of Germanism."

COMMISSIONER TRAVIS SEEKING FEDERAL JOB?

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Commerce Commissioner, and also that his friends have suggested his name to high officials in Washington.

Mr. Travis is well and favorably known to members of the present commission. His position as chairman of the Corporation Commission has brought him to Washington, and before the commission any number of times. His work in straightening out the now famous "Virginia Cities" rate controversy caused him to be here to speak of his ability in high terms. He has also been active in the annual meetings of the State Corporation Association which is recognized by the Commission as a most helpful organization.

Mr. Travis has been in Baltimore since Friday, and stopped over here between trains to break the monotony of the trip. Governor Craig, who is in Johns Hopkins hospital at Baltimore, Mr. Travis says, is getting on very well.

P. R. A.

Amsterdam, Dec. 3. (via London).—A Vienna dispatch says, Zeltung, of that city has announced that Emperor Charles has relieved Baron Burián, Austro-Hungarian minister of the portfolio of the ministry of finance, which he held provisionally, and has appointed Prince Conrad Von Hohenlohe in his stead.

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GEORGE W. ROBINSON DIES IN HOSPITAL IN RICHMOND Had Gone There for Treatment—Body Sent to Warrenton, N. C.

(Special Star Telegram)

Richmond, Va., Dec. 3.—Accompanied by his wife, who brought him here last Wednesday for medical treatment at Hygeia Hospital, the body of George W. Robinson, 48 years old, a farmer, of Motonville, N. C., was shipped to Warrenton, N. C., early this morning.

Robinson died yesterday of what the doctors called pernicious anemia, from which he had suffered for four years. He also had heart and kidney complications. Exhaustion resulting from the trip to Richmond is believed to have hastened his end.

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